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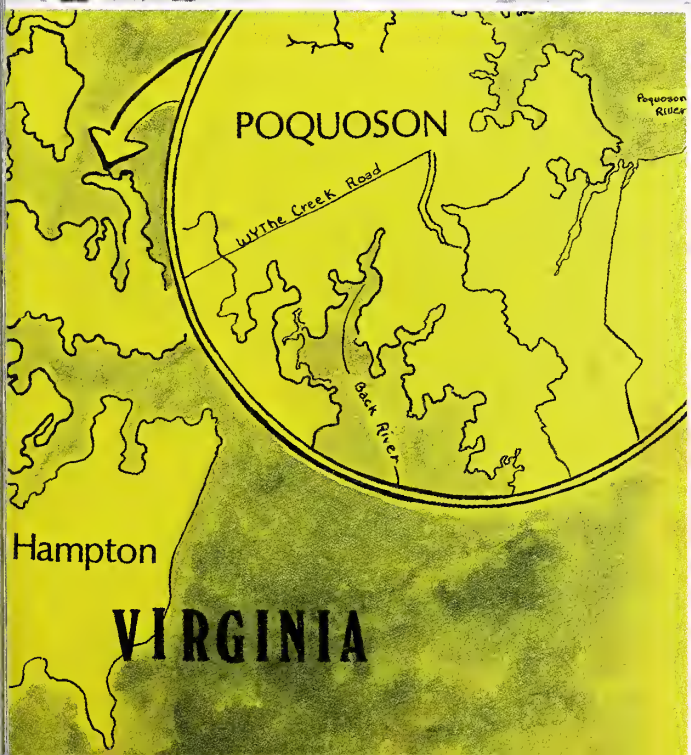

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AUGUST

Poquoson, once a small, closely-knit fishing village was a rough place one just wouldn't go into at night. The urban town of today has cast off its protective shell of days past and is adjusting to the demands of neighboring metropolitan areas. The native sons and daughters of Poquoson still maintain a close relationship — they are united in their beliefs and involved in themselves — striving to retain what they believe to be a good and natural life.

"Bull Island", the first given name of the area, has a deep pride in its past. Because of its location on the Poquoson River and the Chesapeake Bay, the river was once the way of life for most families of the area. It is now gradually giving up its place to neighboring industrial centers.

The local governing bodies and businessmen, many of whom are life-long residents, are secure in the knowledge that the changes which have come to their town are in keeping with the philosophy of its inhabitants.

A D J U S

A new resident faced many adjustments. A move to Poquoson rapidly turned into an endurance test. Mosquito stings, strength-sapping humidity, occasional high tides, and continuous road destruction made a new citizen wonder if a move to a small town was worth the trouble.

The townspeople burdened themselves with heavy taxes in order to provide a school system for their sons and daughters, rather than having their children bussed to nearby York County. Poquoson has never had problems dealing with integration, because there are very few school-age Blacks residing in the town.

Two Peninsula school systems, Newport News and Hampton, enforced bussing. Instead of having their children bussed from one end of the massive towns to the other, many parents moved to Poquoson. This caused overcrowding of the Poquoson schools, even with the addition of the new wing that was supposed to have relieved overcrowded classroom conditions.

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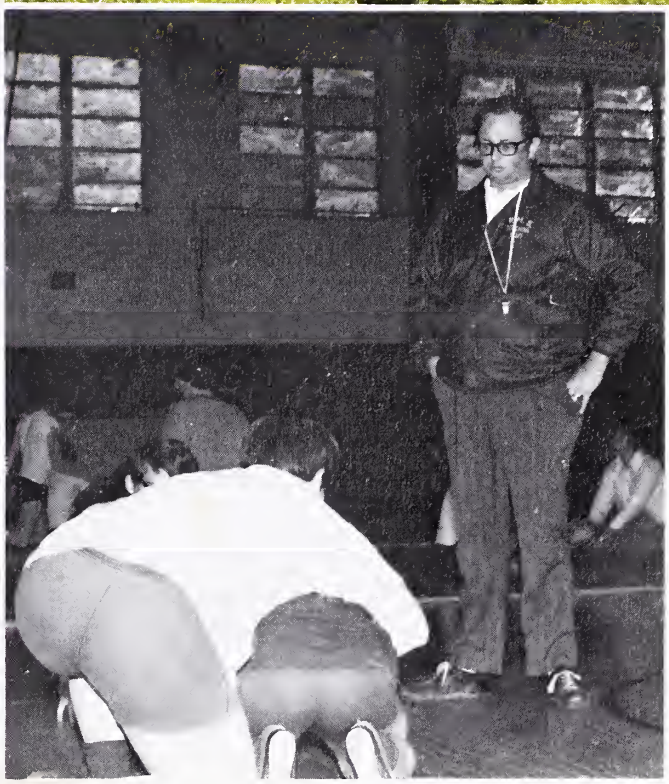


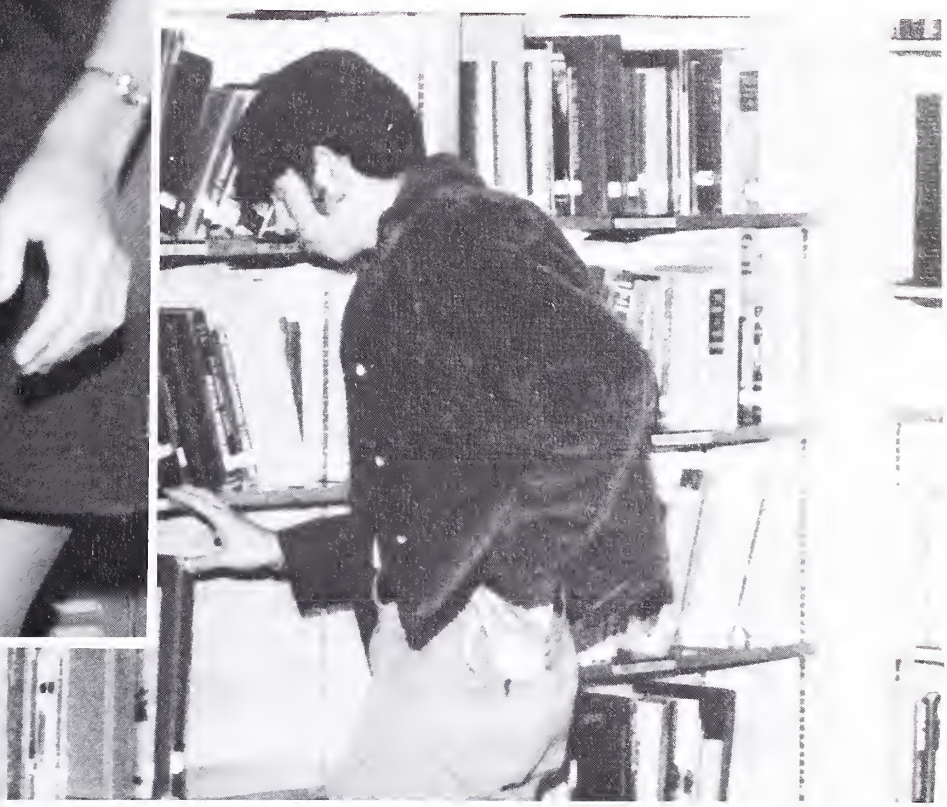
ADJUSTED

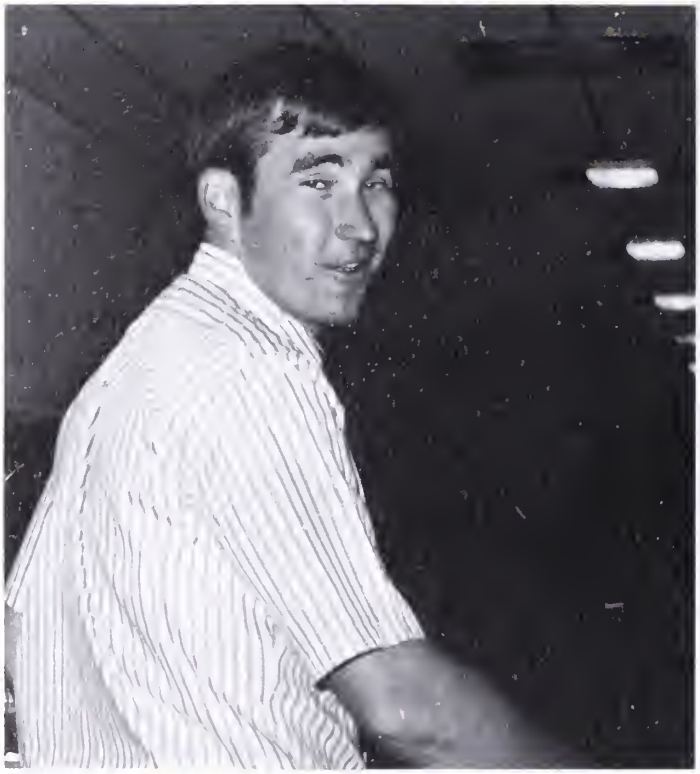
The new wing of the school referred to as "the New Addition", completed its first full year of use. Students found a big adjustment in going from one class in the New Addition to another class in the older part of the school. Poquoson students adjusted to new classrooms and were exposed to a more modern library and science laboratories where everything worked. With all the new conveniences, the student body waved a sad good-by to the days when school was closed because of heating system refused to heat.

Poquoson High and Poquoson Elementary adjusted themselves to the demands of a separate school system as the final ties with York County School System were severed. New School Board members were elected and a search began for a qualified superintendent for Poquoson Schools.

The addition of sixth and seventh grade classes to the high school plant presented a difficult transition problem. Sixth and seventh graders functioned as high school students, but were not allowed to attend school functions, such as dances or assemblies. No preparations were made to coordinate the curriculum of the intermediate students so they could adjust from elementary level to high school level at a more moderate pace.

Drive him
up a wall
STOP





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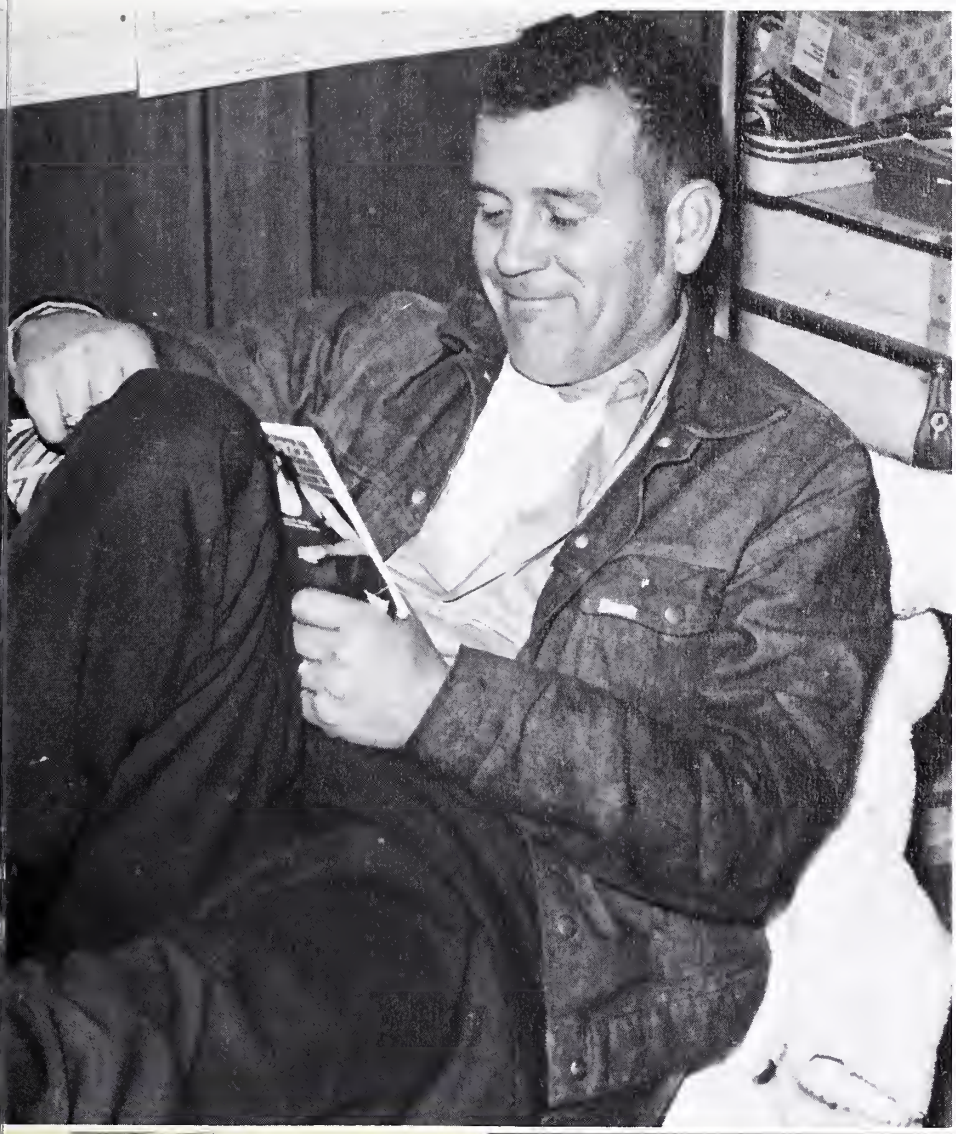


The dress code became more lenient, allowing almost total individuality in student costume. Students were allowed to introduce each other to the latest fashion and they were allowed to adjust to the vogue of the day by scrutinizing the attire of their classmates.

The "Island Echo", previously mimeographed by office aides during their lunch hour, became a real printed newspaper. Midterm exams were eliminated to the joy of many students and the majority of the faculty let seniors with "A" averages be exempt from their final exams.

Many seniors felt that "certain unalienable rights" of attaining the status of "senior" were being violated. There was no senior lounge, and many students were unable to leave school early because they were forced to take classes.

Freedom of speech rang through most classrooms. Conversations could start with the history of Egyptian mummies and end with communes in 20th century Canada. Sometimes conversations went into debates, and debates shaped into arguments.

Jeannie Louquet said, "I found my biggest adjustment was to recognize everyone as an individual and learning to be patient in listening to what they have to say."

T M E N T

SENIORS

Since the eighth grade, the Seniors had set goals ranging from everyday events to their biggest goal — graduation.

Throughout the school years they were lumped together by class. These class distinctions came about as a matter for records and evolved into a means of classification. At the expense of individuality they were labeled with their year in school. Seniors tended to be labeled as having a superior attitude and as being show-offs or fun-loving.

Academically, Seniors chose harder classes, maybe just because they knew that if you took certain courses everyone knew only a senior could take them. This was an added something to their senior status. Others filled their schedules with elective classes and planned to take it easy.

Characteristic of the senior class was a large number of married students. There were more married students this year than ever before.

Class meetings showed individuality among

the seniors, the end reuslt however was lots of talk and no results.

Throughout the year the seniors led class competition at pep rallies. Other class competitions such as the Toys for Tots drive and the paper drive passed seniors with little notice.

A senior must make many adjustments during his last year in high school. Their futures had become ever closer and some realized they had to plan for college, jobs, or both. The biggest adjustment for most was getting used to being a senior and facing reality.

Senior priveledges included breaks in the lunch line, going to lunch five minutes earlier, study halls, senior week, and serving as aids for teachers. There was no Senior Lounge due to a lack of space to facilitate one.

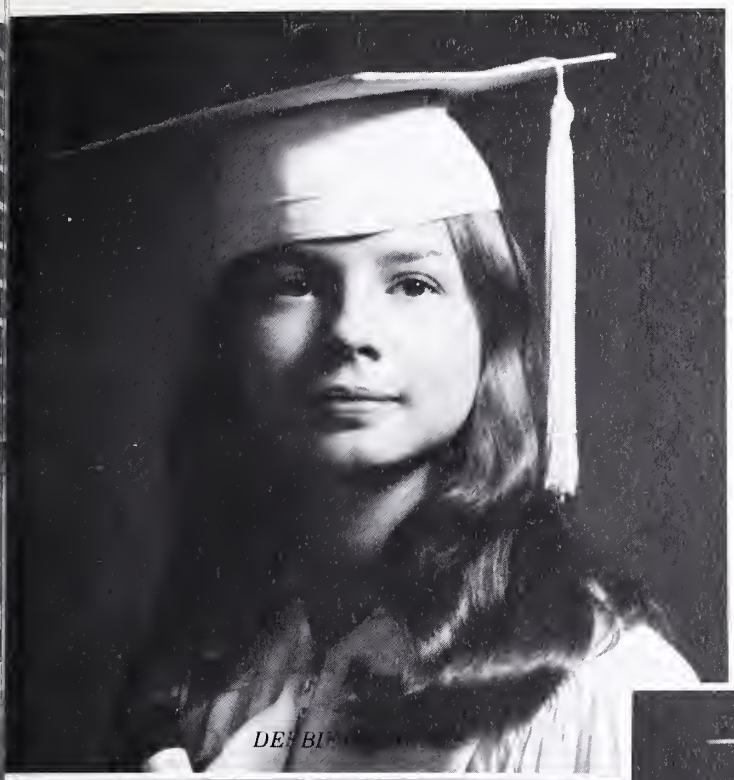
The last year for the students of the senior class was filled with excitement, disappointment, and adjustments. There was hope that their education and social life at school had better prepared them for their future.

Senior officers had accomplished what they had set out to do

The senior class, consisting of 77 members, was motivated by the ever present thought of the coming of graduation day. Throughout the year, seniors were constantly aware of their mounting responsibilities and managed to meet the challenges set before them.

Lynne Freeman, president felt that the main problem of the senior class was the lack of unity. The duties of the president seemed mearly imossible when time came to carry out plans that were made. Sometimes, it was hard to get a class meeting rolling. It seemed that everybody involved always had something to say that just couldn't wait. The result was usually mass chaos at ll class meetings. The senior officers sparked class initiative and somehow managed to get the job done. At the year's end, senior officers felt that they had accomplished what they had set out to do.

believes that grinning and bearin has to be a trait for any senior c officer.



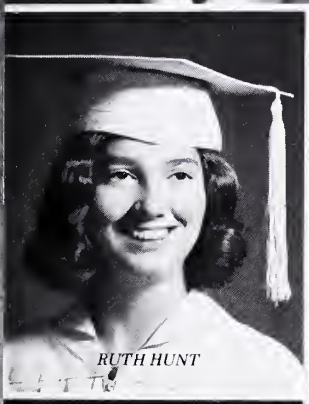
DEBBIE

Eleven Seniors struggled to claim a seat of honor

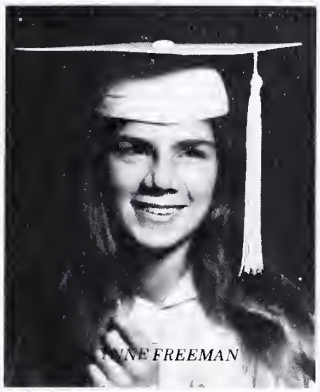
In the class of '72, eleven seniors struggled to claim their seat of honor. During the 5 years of their high school careers, extra effort put forth from day to day in all facets of school life led them to their high ranking in the class.

Strict competition for grades among some seniors proved so strong that in the final evaluatio Becky Quinn and Debbie Carmines tied for top honors. Other energetic seniors who strived for perfection also made the mark.

When asked her feelings on reaching the top Becky Quinn had this to say, "Well, I'm proud of it, but you feel after it's all over that somehow it was wasted . . . and maybe you could have had more of a balance between studying and really enjoying your high school years."



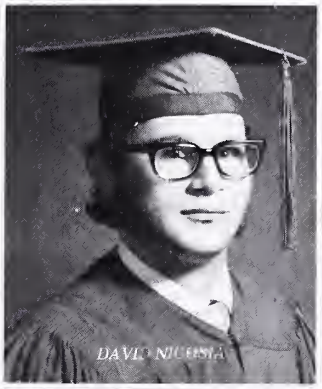
RUTH HUNT



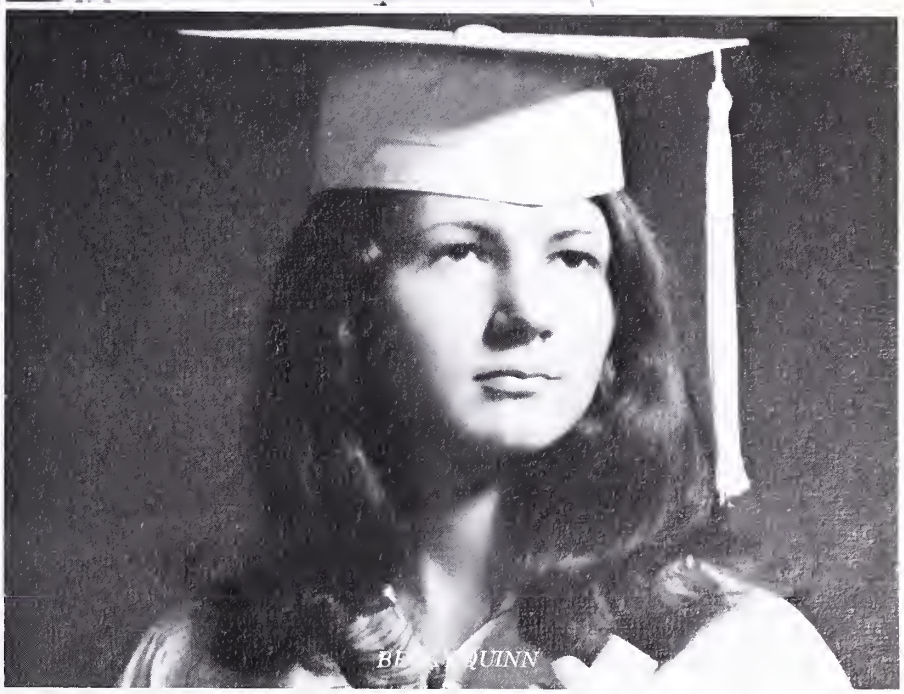
ANNE FREEMAN

ETHEL JOHNSON

MATTIE MARTIN

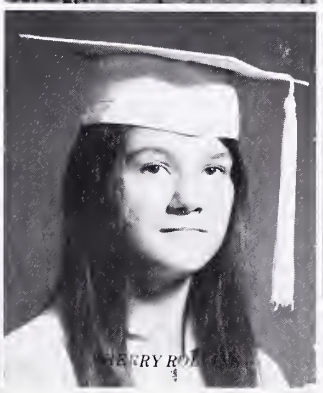


DAVID NICHOLS



BECKY QUINN

RAYMOND PETT



CHERRY ROLLINS

GARRY KENDRELL BUNTING

. . . a touch of idealism in their goals . . .

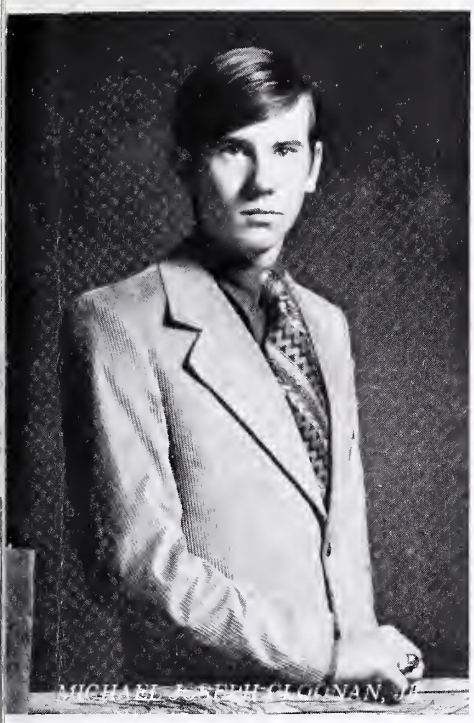
Senior goals were much changed since their early school life when they wanted to be firemen, millionaires, ballerinas, and nurses. There was still a touch of idealism in their goals, but in most instances they were more realistic.

"Back in the first grade I wanted to be a ballet dancer. Wierd, huh?!" — Anonymous

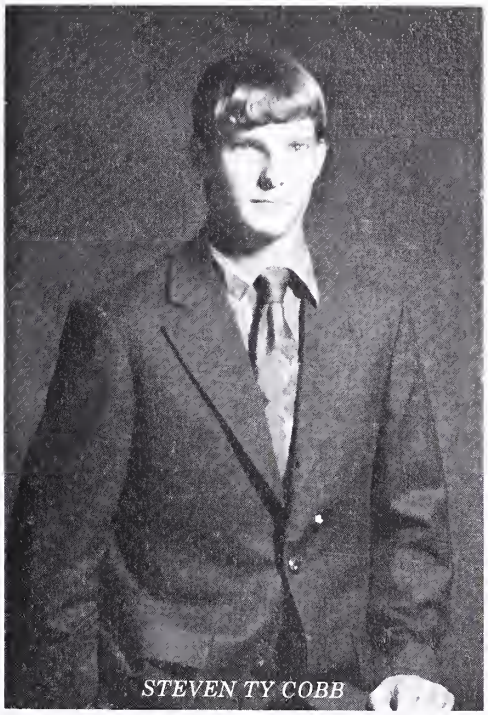
Senior goals varied greatly according to background, enthusiasm, interest, and maturity. The importance of such goals was evident as the exit from high school would mark the beginning of their ascent toward these goals.

"I'm not sure what I'm going to do."
— Pat McBride

"My goal is college." — Mike Lowery



MICHAEL JOSEPH CLOONAN, JR.



STEVEN TY COBB

KAREN LYNNE BASSETT, "Karen."
Transferred from Pembroke HS 12; Island Echo Staff Ed. 12; Drama Club 12; Islander Staff 12; Office Aide 12; Transferred to Pembroke HS 12.

NANCY PAULETTE BENTON, "Nancy."
Band 8-12; Science Club 8-9; Majorette 10-12, Capt. 12; Pep Club 10-11; Pep Band 9; Office Aide 11-12; Girl's Basketball 11.

GARRY KENDRELL BUNTING, "Garry."
JV Football 9; JV Baseball 9; Basketball 11-12; Varsity Club 12; Boy's State 11; Merit's Who's Who 11-12; Class Treas. 12.

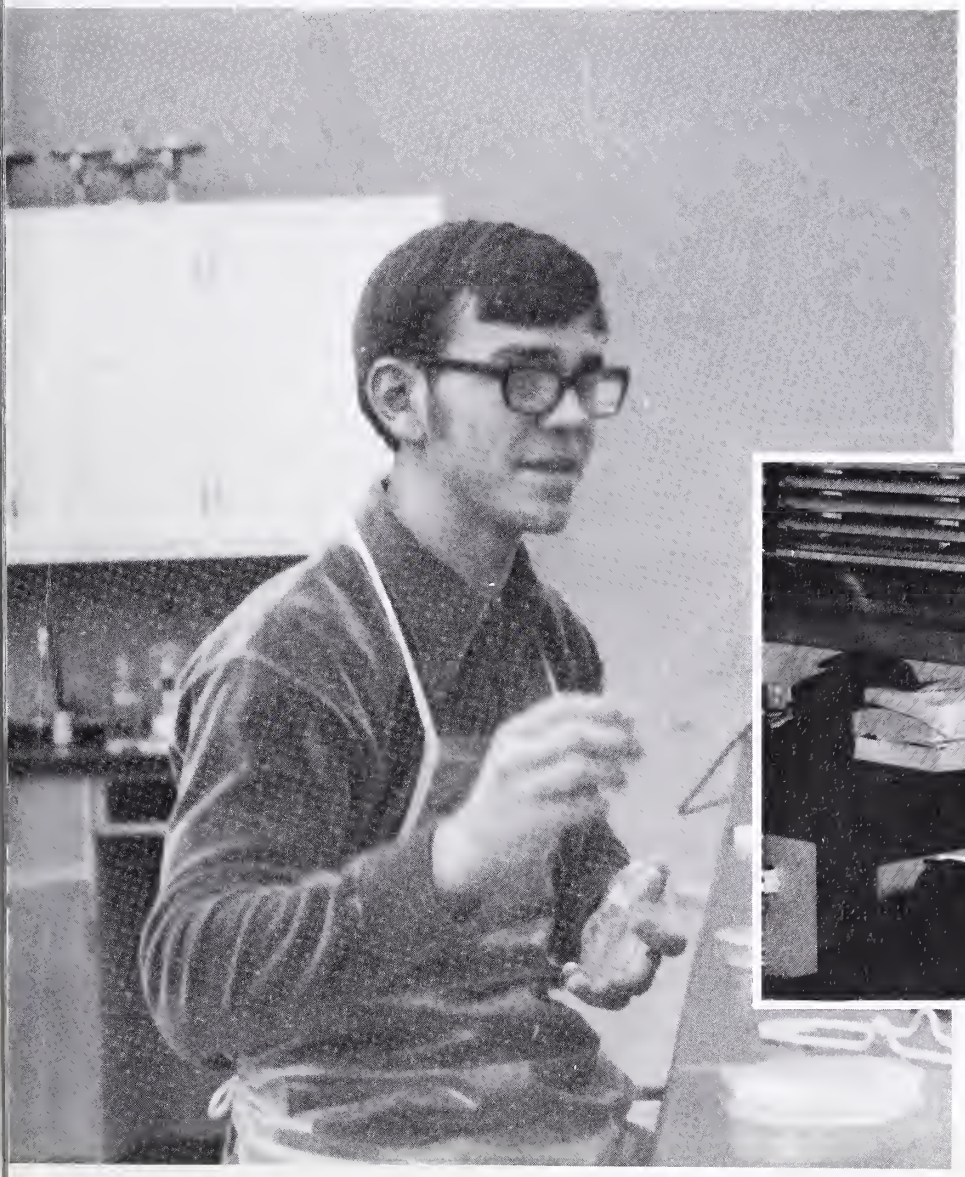
DORIS ANN BUSSE, "Doris."
FHA 9.

DEBORAH LYNN CARMINES, "Debbie."
Band 8-12; Pep Band 8-12; Annual Staff 11-12; Honor Council 9-11-12, Sec. 11-12; Class Sec. 8,11; Beta Club 11-12, V. Pres. 11, Sec. 12; Class V. Pres. 10; SCA 10; FTA 10; French Club 10; Science Club 12; Pep Club 10-12; Girl's State 11; DAR Good Citizen.

SUSAN INSLEY CARPENTER, "Susan."
Glee Club 8-11.

MICHAEL JOSEPH CLOONAN, JR. "Mike."
JV Football 8; Art Club, Pres.9; Island Echo Staff 10-12, Co-ed. 10; SCA 12; Drama Club 12.

STEVEN TY COBB, "Ty"
Varsity Club 11; JV Football 9; Baseball 9-12.



PAM WHITE STUDIES *college materials as she takes a minute from her duties as office aide.* JEFF LANE PREPARES *an experiment during chemistry class for exibition in the science fair.*

WILLIAM A. CONNAUGHTON, III

TERRY WAYNE DANIELS

FIMIAH LOU DIGGS

"Go to college and graduate. Beyond that I don't know."

"I'm going to an apprentice school to learn a career." — Ricky Werner

"The Armed Forces or a respectable job." — Homer Ketterman

"Getting married." — Anonymous

"I'd like to make a decent living and to live in contentment." — Danny Oprisko

"My goal is to keep learning and doing things to the best of my ability and to keep on being a good wife and mother." — Ethel Johnson

"I'd like to be a nurse at Riverside Hospital." — Anonymous

"Secretary." — Fimiah Diggs

"Go to college and graduate. Beyond that I don't know. — Vickie Johnson

Whether or not these goals will be achieved is up to the individual involved. Failure to reach their goal would mean disappointment or possibly trouble. Success should be the end product of determination.

WILLIAM ALOYIOUS CONNAUGHTON, III, "Bill."
Transferred from Hampton HS 12; Drama Club 12.

TERRY WAYNE DANIELS, "Terry."
Basketball Mgr. 8-9, Scorekeeper 10; Baseball Mgr. 8; Pep Club 9,10,12; Art Aide 11; Library Aide 12.

FIMIAH LOU DIGGS, "Boo."
Honor Council 8; Art Club 8; Pom Pom Girl 9-12, Co-capt. 12; Pep Club 10-12, Pres. 12; Islander Staff 11-12; Clinic Aide 12; Basketball Night Rep. 12.

JOHNNY RAY DILLARD, "John."
JV Wrestling 9; Football 10.

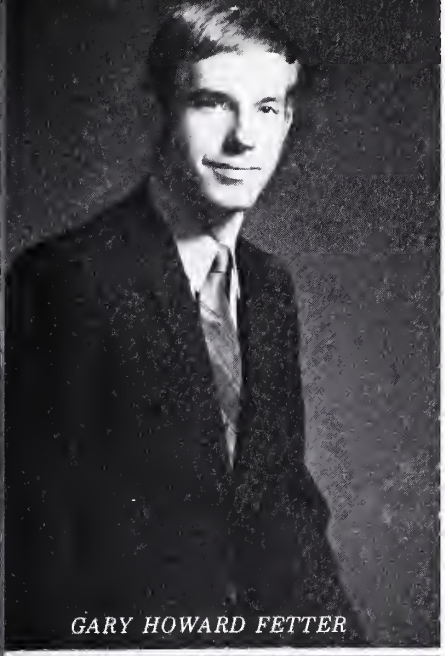
BENNIE TAYLOR DRYDEN, "Nard."
JV Football 9; Football 9-11; Track Mgr. 9-10; Varsity Club 11.

DONNA LYNN EVANS, "Donna."
Pep Club 8-12; Art Club 8; JV Cheerleader 9; Island Echo Staff 10; Pom Pom Girl 10-12; Islander Staff 11-12; Class Sec. 12; Prom Committee 11; FTA 12.

JOHNNY RAY DILLARD

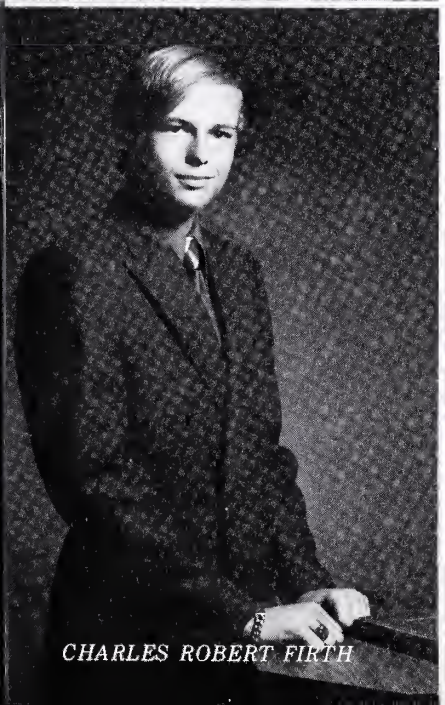
BENNIE TAYLOR DRYDEN

DONNA LYNN EVANS



GARY HOWARD FETTER

BETSY LOU FIRTH



CHARLES ROBERT FIRTH

GARY HOWARD FETTER, "Gary."
Football 11-12.

BESTY LOU FIRTH, "Besty."
FHA 8-9; Girl's Basketball 9-10; Pep Club 11.

CHARLES ROBERT FIRTH, "Bobby."
Glee Club 8; ICT 11-12; Basketball 11; Baseball 11.

A FRIEND

ETHEL JOHNSON RUSHES *to meet her deadline in typing class.*

DONNA GUTH[illegible]RTH

JACK NATHAN FORR[illegible]

THERESA FORREST, FEATURE *twirler, poses for the photographer before marching in the Fireman's parade.* FIMIAH DIGGS AND *Donna Evans watch intensely as the senior float finally begins to take shape.*

JAMES MICHAEL [illegible]

ROBIN FIRTH FORREST

" . . . I love pestering Mrs. Erasmi."

DONNA GUTHRIE FIRTH, "Donna."
Band 8; Flagbearer 9-11; Science Club 8; Pep Club 8-11; FNA 8.

JAMES MICHAEL FIRTH, "Mikie."
JV Basketball 10; Basketball 11-12; Baseball 12; ICT 11-12.

JACK NATHAN FORREST JR., "Nathan."
JV Football 9; Football 11-12, Co-capt. 12; Wrestling 10-11; Varsity Club 11-12.

ROBIN FIRTH FORREST, "Robin."
FNA 8; FHA 8-10.

THERESA DELIA FORREST, "Ressie."
Band 8; FNA 8; Glee Club 10; Majorette 9-12, Capt. 11, Feature Twirler 12; Band Council 11.

PAULINE BUSH FOSTER, "Pauline."
Transferred from England. Drama Club 11; Humanities Club 11.

MARGARET LYNNE FREEMAN, "Lynne."
Glee Club 10-11; Drama Club 12; Girl's Basketball 9-11; Class V-Pres. 11; Pep Club 9-12; Prom Committee, Chm. 11; Class Pres. 12; SCA 9; Varsity Club 11; Beta Club 11-12; Island Echo Staff 11; Islander Staff 12; Layout Ed. 12.

Often times grades seemed to mean more to the stuaents than the actual learning process; other times there was no concern for either grades or learning. Pressure for grades was created by parents and complicated by too many extra-curricular activities, and sometimes outside problems.

Senior class schedules were evidence that the students were pursuing more specialized studies. Some of these classes included advanced chemistry/biology, physics, trigonometry, psychology, and advanced classes in shorthand and foreign languages. Because these were elective subjects the students (in most cases) wanted to do well since they were interested. Other times these classes were taken because the seniors felt that they had to live up to the name "Senior".

"Sociology is an elective course. It gives me a chance to express my feelings on a subject and speak out for what I think is right or wrong." — Homer Ketterman

"My favorite class is English novel seminar. You get out of it what you put in it, maybe more, not less." — Locket

It became a realization to many seniors that their grades were not quite what they could have been and maybe they could have put more into learning. Others found they had to take six subjects and pass all of them to graduate. Government and English 12 were required and were the obstacles all seniors faced in their final year of high school.

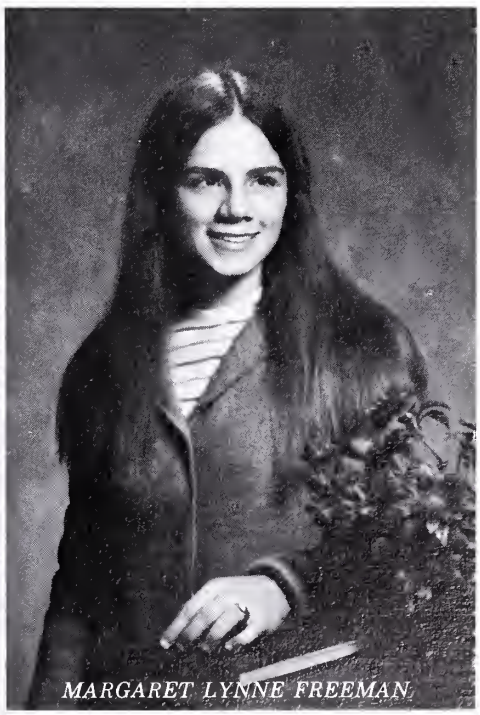
"My favorite class was government because it offered a freedom of topics." — Mike Lowery

"I like English 12, I love pestering Mrs. Erasmi." — Anonymous

"If I could change anything I'd change my grades." — Anonymous

THERESA DELIA FORREST

PAULINE BUSH FOSTER


MARGARET LYNNE FREEMAN

" . . . actually had to take a solid look at my future."

The individuals lumped under the classification, "Seniors", were generalized by all as the oldest and most mature students. However, the seniors of '72 did not live up to this generalized title. For some seniors, their attitude was "I've made it, now I can clown around until June." For others, they realized that they had to work hard to maintain their high academic record, or even to graduate.

"I realized I actually had to take a solid look at my future." — Anonymous

Seniors experienced a cut down on their priveledges. Their senior lounge was banished because there was no space, due to the sixth and seventh grades being brought up from elementary school.

"The worst thing that happened to Poquoson High School was the move of the 6th and 7th graders." — Danny Oprisko

However, their status as seniors allowed them a single locker, breaks in the lunch line, study halls, Senior Week, and if they had maintained an "A" average throughout the year, they were exempt from all exams.

"I think it's stupid," said Donna Evans, "they may as well do away with exemptions completely."

NANCY LEE FREEMAN, "Nancy."
Band 8-12; Pep Club 11-12; Science Club 12; Library Aide 12.

HELEN JEAN GAUS, "Bucky."
Art Club 9-10; VICA 11.

SARA FRANCIS GODWIN, "Sara."
Transferred from Ferguson HS 12; Pep Club 12; Homecoming Rep. 12.

DANIEL KEITH GOODSON, "Danny."
Band 8-10; Glee Club 9-11; Track 9; Football 9; Chess Club 10; Latin Club 9; Regional Choir 10-11.

MARIE FERGUSON GRIFFITH, "Marie."
Drama Club 11; ICT 12.

CATHERINE LOUISE GWALTNEY, "Cathy."
Flagbearer 8-10; Pep Club 8-9; FNA 8-9; Art Club 8; Glee Club 10; VICA 11-12, V-Pres. 12.

DEBRA LYNN HALL, "Debbie."
Glee Club 11; Pep Club 11; ICT 12.

VON RUBBEN HIMELRIGHT, "Rube."
JV Football 9; JV Basketball 9; JV Baseball 9; Class Treas. 10-11; Baseball 10-12; Track 10-12; Basketball 10-12; Co-capt. 11-12; Pep Club 10; SCA Treas. 12; Varsity Club 11-12; Inter. Basketball 9.

ANTHONY BYNUM HOLDER, "Tony."
JV Football 8; VICA 10-11; Pep Club 10; Vo Tech 10.

NANCY LEE FREEMAN

HELEN JEAN G

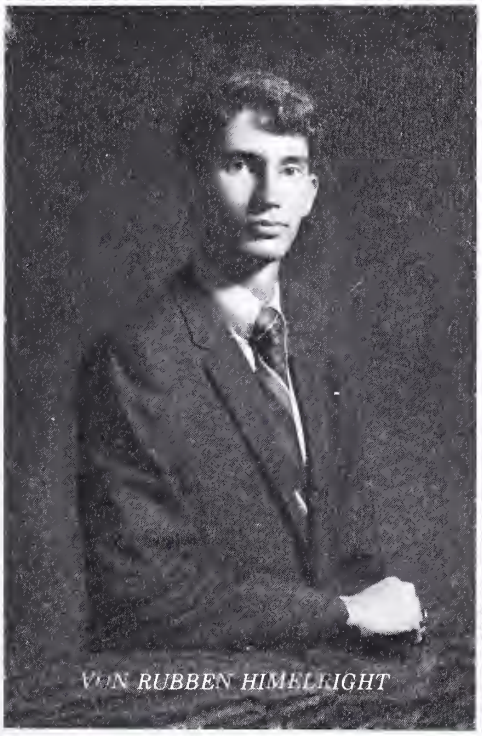
SARA FRANCI

KEITH GOODSON

MARIE FERGUSON GRIFFITH

CATHERINE LOUISE GWALTNEY

DEBRA LYNN HALL



VON RUBBEN HIMELRIGHT

ANTHONY FYNCH HOLDER

STRUGGLING WITH LITERALLY *hundreds of ads for the annual, Ruth Anne Hunt and Debbie Carmines work long hours after school on the community section.*

Cut in Senior priveledges didn't hold Seniors down

Another conflict arose when the new class of seniors learned that they could not leave school early unless they were in Vo-Tech or ICT. In spite of how several seniors managed to get out early anyway, most seniors had to fill their schedules with study halls, office aides, library assistants, and hall patrols.

With seniors as hall patrols, other seniors could roam the halls during classes or lunch hours without passes. Most of the time, mischief and fun seemed to be the only duties of the hall patrols. A day wouldn't go by when some type of trick had not been pulled. Clinic aide, Cindy Spruill recalled the day the seniors on hall duty strapped office aide, Brenda Perdue to the stretcher and rolled her under the bed. Vickie Johnson said she would never forget the day they held her out of the second story window upside down.

Regardless of how few their privileges were, most seniors will agree it was the most memorable year of their education.

"I had a hard time making myself realize that this will be the last year." — Anonymous

CATHERINE TEEKELA HOLLOWAY

ROBERT TAYLOR HOLLOWAY, JR.

SHERRY LYNN HOLLOWAY

GARY HOPKINS

CAR

RUTH ANNE HUNT

DONNA SUE INGE

EHTEL LEE HALL JOHNSON

MARY VICTORIA JOHNSON

CATHERINE TEEKEELA HOLLOWAY, "Cathy."
FHA 8-10, Treas. 8; Girl's Basketball 9; ICT 12; VICA Club 12.

ROBERT TAYLOR HOLLOWAY JR., "Robert."
VICA Club 12.

SHERRY LYNN HOLLOWAY, "Sherry."
Art Club 10.

GARY SAMUEL HOPKINS, "Gary."
Glee Club 8-9; JV Football 9, Track 9-12, SCA 12, Office Aide 12.

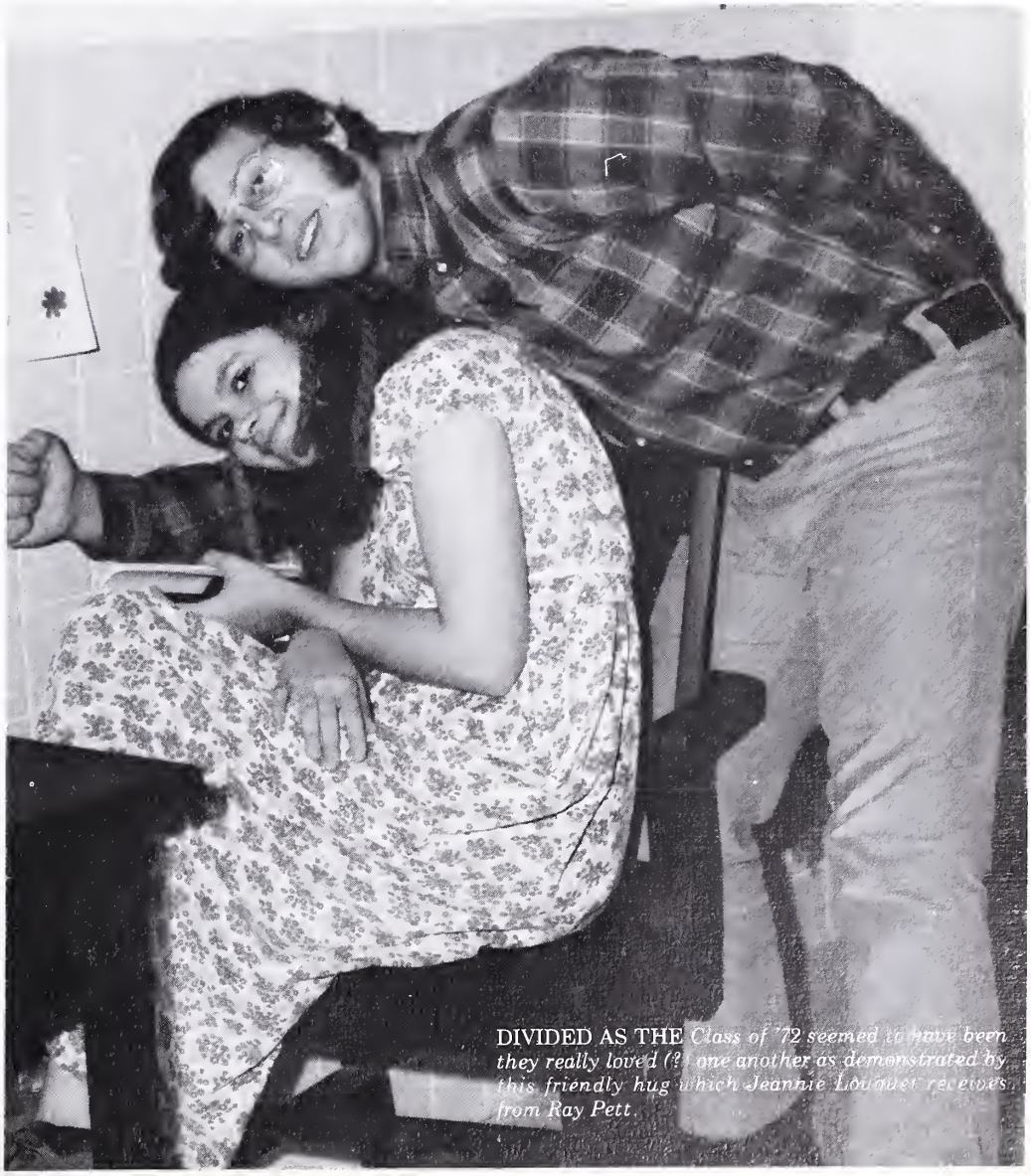
CAROL DIANNE HUNT, "Dianne."

RUTH ANNE HUNT, "Ruth Anne."
Glee Club 8,10-12; Accompaniest 11-12, Bland Contest 1st Place 8,10; French Club 9; Pep Club 9-12, Beta Club 11-12, Treas. 12, Islander Staff 11-12; Science Club 12, V-Pres. 12.

DONNA SUE INGE, "Donna."
FNA 9, FHA 10-11, Historian 11, VICA 12.

EHTEL LEE HALL JOHNSON, "Ethel."
Science Club 8-9, Art Club 9, Latin Club 9-10, Library Aide 9, History Club 10; Beta Club 12.

MARY VICTORIA JOHNSON, "Vickie."
SCA 8,12; Pep Club 9-12, Island Echo Staff 10, Pom Pom Girl 9-12, Co-capt. 12, Islander Staff 11-12, Editor-in-chief 12, Drama Club 12; Clinic Aide 9, Prom Committee 11.



DIVIDED AS THE *Class of '72 seemed to have been they really loved (?) one another as demonstrated by this friendly hug which Jeannie Louquet receives from Ray Pett.*

HOMER RAY KETTERMAN, "Homer."
JV Football 8-9; Track 9-12; Varsity Club 9-12; V-Pres. 12.

LAWRENCE THOMAS KONGSLIEN, "Larry."

JEFFREY FULTON LANE, "Jeff."
Honor Council 8; JV Baseball 9; SCA 9-12, Vice-Pres. 11, Pres. 12; Class Treas. 9; JV Basketball 10; Football 11; Varsity Club 11; Islander Staff 11; Science Club 12.

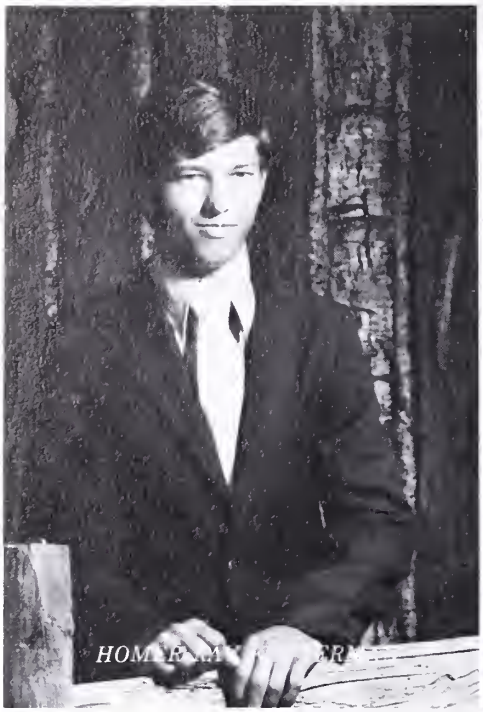
JEAN MARIE LOUQUET, "Locket."
Art Club 8; Drama Club 8-12; Islander Staff 12; Island Echo Staff, Editor 11; Glee Club 10; Pep Club 9; Language Club 9-10; Prom Committee 11; Class V-Pres. 12; Girl's Basketball Mgr. 11.

MICHAEL GORDAN LOWERY, "Mike."
Band 8-12; Chess Club 9; French Club 9; Pep Club 10-11; Pep Band 8-12; Humanities Club 11-12; Science Club 9.

DOROTHY INEZ MARTIN, "Dottie."
Homecoming Rep. 8, 10; Basketball Night Rep. 10; Miss Islander finalist 10; Class Sec. 9; Art Club 9; Class Pres. 10; Island Echo Staff 10; Glee Club 10; SCA 11; Islander Staff 12; Library Aide 12; Beta Club 12.

PATRICK HUGH MCBRIDE, "Pat."
Class Pres. 8-9; Inter. Basketball 8; JV Football 8-9; JV Baseball 9; JV Basketball 8-10; Basketball 11-12, Capt. 12.

GARY LEE MCPHERSON, "Mack."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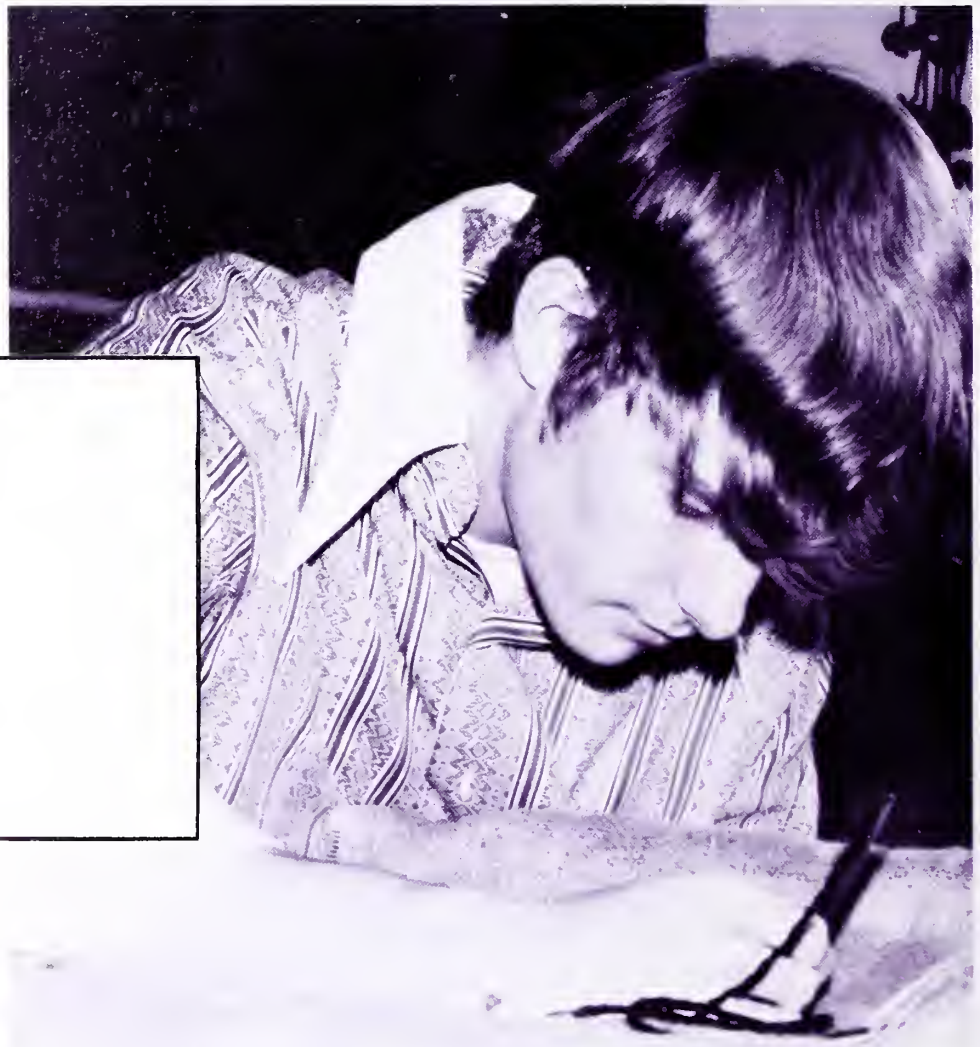
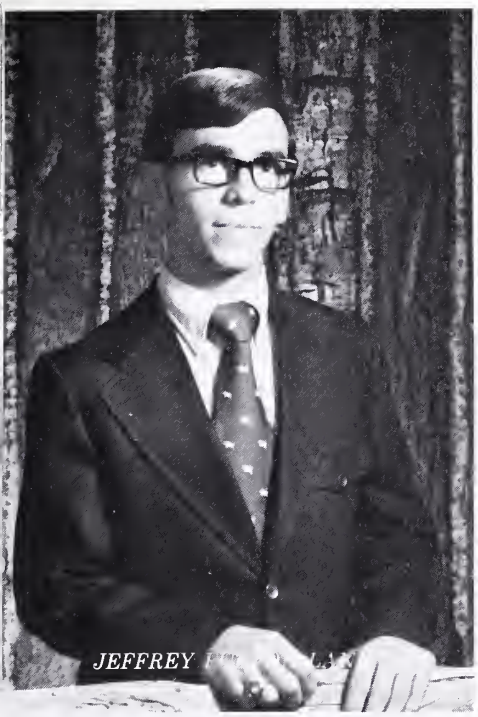


Dairy Queen

At Entrance of
Bethal Manor
Highway 134
York County

SENIOR TY COBB *rushes to complete an unfinished art project that is due at 3 o'clock.*



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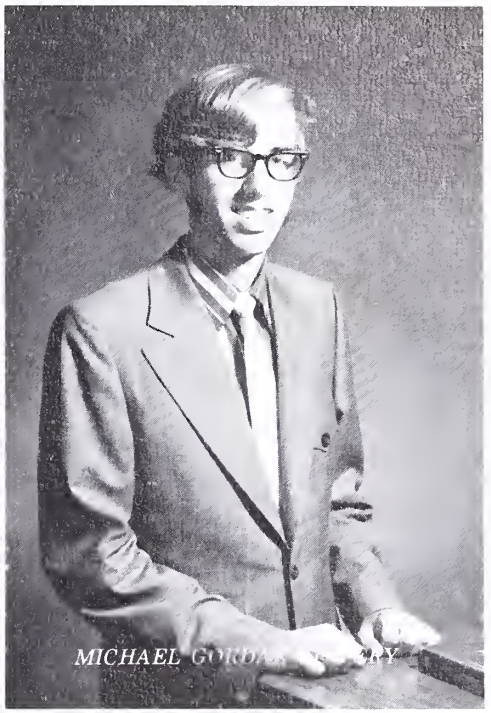


MICHAEL

Participation in drives lacked enthusiasm

Senior participation in the Toys for Tots and Paper Drive seemed to be evidence of a lack of class enthusiasm and unity.

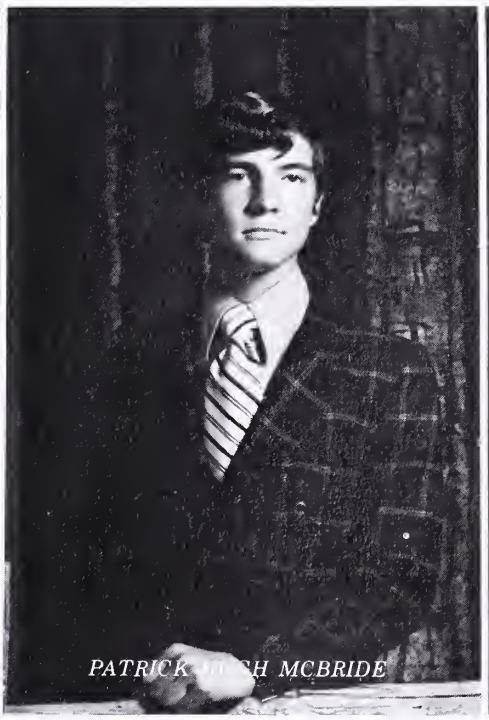
"I gave all the toys I could find to the eighth grade for my brother." — Dottie Martin

"I didn't know there was a paper drive." — Anonymous

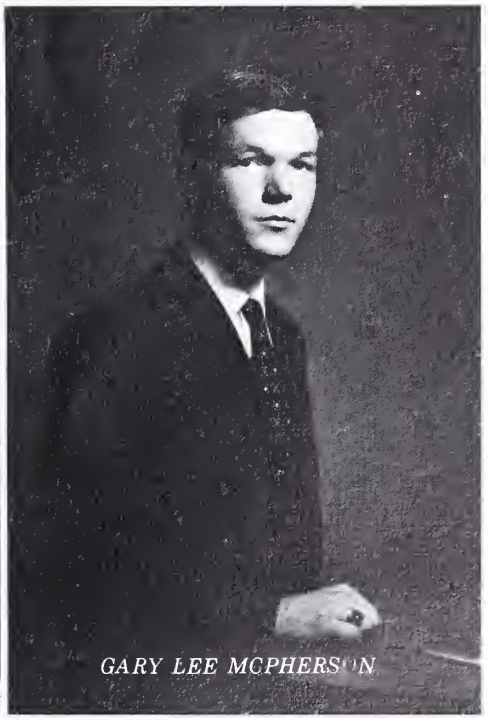
"Yes, I felt a need to help others." — Donna Inge

Other goals seemed more important to the senior student than these drives and they passed without much notice. Class unity it seemed was something for those younger to cling to, however class spirit was in abundance, proven by the winning of the spirit stick at pep rallies

DOROTHY INEZ MA



PATRICK CH MCBRIDE



GARY LEE MCPHERSON

"Perfect class would be study hall with nothing to study."

At the beginning of second semester some found themselves in a state of either panic or shock because they were failing in certain subjects required to graduate. Others glided through looking forward to hearing from colleges. Acceptance and rejection kept these seniors in constant limbo. Some still didn't realize what their responsibilities were and busied themselves trying to earn prestige and recognition as a "Senior".

Some seniors were given the priveledge of study halls. Most found themselves on hall duty, or working as assistants to teachers, because they chose not to elect any other classes. Study halls were often used for various other activities; usually anything but study. Those students taking harder subjects, or with tight schedules, were sometimes forced to utilize study halls effectively; but for most seniors these free hours provided ample time for relaxation.

"The perfect class would be study hall with nothing to study." — Anonymous

DEBORAH GAY MERRILL, "Debbie."
Transferred from Mathews HS; Drama Club 12.

ELLEN SUE MOORE, "Ellen."
Flagbearer 10-12; Band Council 11; Glee Club 8-10; FNA 8,12; Clinic Aide 12; Island Echo Staff 12; Pep Club 9-12.

PAMELA BUNTING MOORE, "Pam."
Transferred from Jefferson Davis Jr. HS 9; Pep Club 9; Homecoming Rep. 9; Basketball Night Rep. 9; Majorette 10; FHA 9.

SANDRA HELEN MURDOCK, "Sandy."
Transferred from Thorpe Jr. HS 9; Drama Club 9-12; Pep Club 9-11; Glee Club 9-12.

DAVID ERNEST NICOSIA, "Nick."
Band 8-12; Pep Band 9-12; Pep Club 11; Band Council V. Pres. 11; Humanities Club V. Pres. 11; JV Football 9; Football 9; Beta Club 11-12; Boy's State 11; Merit's Who's Who 11; SCA 11-12; Chess Club 9; Basketball Mgr. 8; Debate Team 8.

DANIEL PAUL OPRISKO, "Danny."
Science Club 11-12; JV Basketball Mgr. 8-9; Lab Aide 11-12; Chess Club 9; Humanities Club 11; Stage Band 11.

BRENDA GAIL PERDUE, "Brenda."
JV Cheerleader 9-10; Capt. 10; Cheerleader 11; Pep Club 9-10; Girl's Basketball 10-11; Islander Staff 11-12; Office Aide 12.

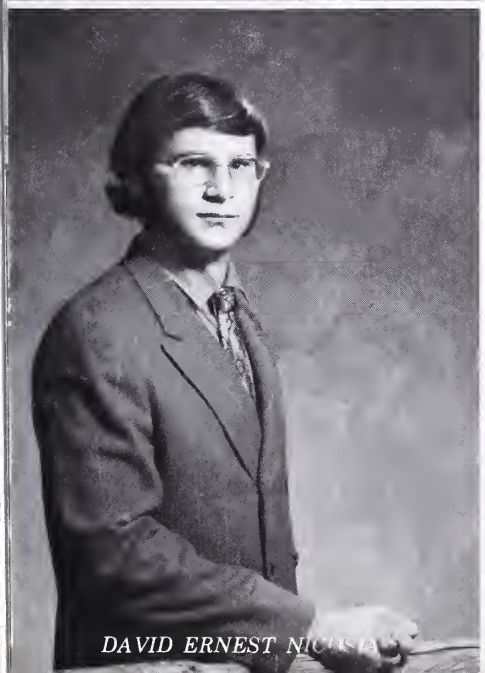
DEBORA MERRIL

ELLEN MOORE

PAM

SANDRA HELEN MURDOCK

DANIEL PAUL OPRISKO



DAVID ERNEST NICASIO

SENIOR VON HIMELRIGHT *demonstrates the proper technique for doing the "funky chicken" with junior Kathy Lilly while Anna Holloway and Homer Ketterman do their own "thing".* CINDY WYATT LOOKS *somewhat perplexed. Just what the problem is — only Cindy knows for sure.*

BRENDA GAIL PERDUE

RAYMOND JOSEPH PETT, "Ray."
Band 8-12; Band Council 8-10; Pep Band 8-12; JV Football 9; Football 10-11; Beta Club 11-12; Wrestling 9-12, Capt. 11,12; Track 9-12, Capt. 11,12; Humanities Club, Pres. 12; Varsity Club 11-12, Pres. 12; SCA 10-12; Chess Club 9, Debate Team 8; Class Treas. 8; Class Pres. 11; Honor Council 10-12, Chairman 11-12.

BECKY SUE QUINN, "Becky."
Class V-Pres.8; Band 8-11, Drum Majorette 11; FNA 8; FTA 10; Pep Club 9-10; Island Echo Staff 10; Honor Council 10; Band Council 10-11; Miss Poquoson High Rep. 11; Islander Staff 11; Beta Club 11-12, Pres. 11; SCA 11-12; Girl's State 11.

GEORGE HOWELL ROBERTSON, "George."
Glee Club 10-12; Regional Choir 10-12; Band 8-10; Wrestling 11; Humanities Club 11.

SENIO[illegible]E JOHNSON, *Dan[illegible] [illegible]gs, Jeannie Louque[illegible] [illegible]ake a break before destroying [illegible] float.*

RAYMOND JOSEPH PETT

BE[illegible]UE QUINN

GEORGE HOWELL ROBERTSON

SHARLENE SIKORA ROLLINS

MARILYN CAROL RONDEAU

CLIFTON ROWE

"Homecoming is my favorite event of the year . . . "

"Homecoming is my favorite event of the year because of all the events that transpire and bring the class together." — Danny Oprisko

Homecoming began several weeks ahead of time for many seniors with the building of the class float. After securing shed number eleven at the Poquoson Marina, the usual handful of workers and mostly onlookers began to work on their last float.

Slowly progress could be seen as the hard work of a few faithful builders paid off. Becuase it was their last float, "A Touch Away from Victory", was hoped to win by all who had worked and even by those who had only observed.

Finally, with the float complete, seniors waited calmly as they were confident that they had built a "WINNER". Much to their disappointment, when the winner was announced, the junior class claimed victory. The senior class accepted defeat in stride, somewhat disgusted, nevertheless proud of second place.

SHARLENE SIKORA ROLLINS, "Sherry."
Band 8-11, Cheerleader 9-11; Pep Club 9-10, Islander Staff 11-12, Copy Ed. 12; Beta Club 11-12, FTA 10; FHA 11; Drama Club 10-11, Miss Islander Rep.11; French Club 10, Office Aide 9, Humanities Club 11, Girl's Basketball 9, Homecoming Rep.11; 1st Runner-Up Miss Poquoson High 11, District Regional Band 8, Stage Band 8.

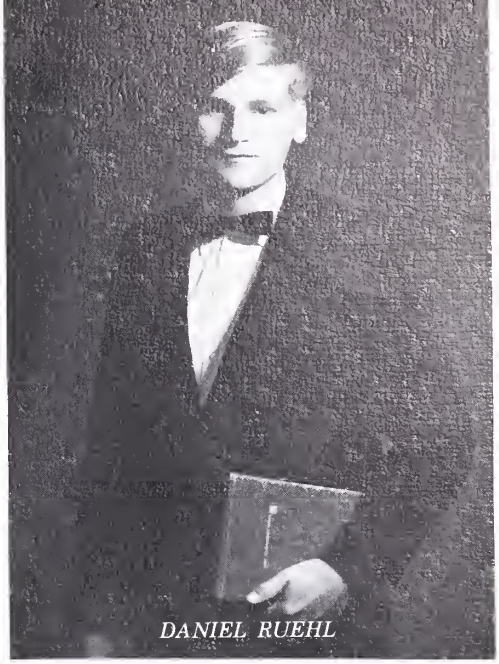
MARILYN CAROL RONDEAU, "Marilyn."
Art Club 8; French Club 9-10; Pep Club 10; Flagbearer 11.

CLIFTON ROWE, "Cliff."

DANIEL RUEHL, "Danny."

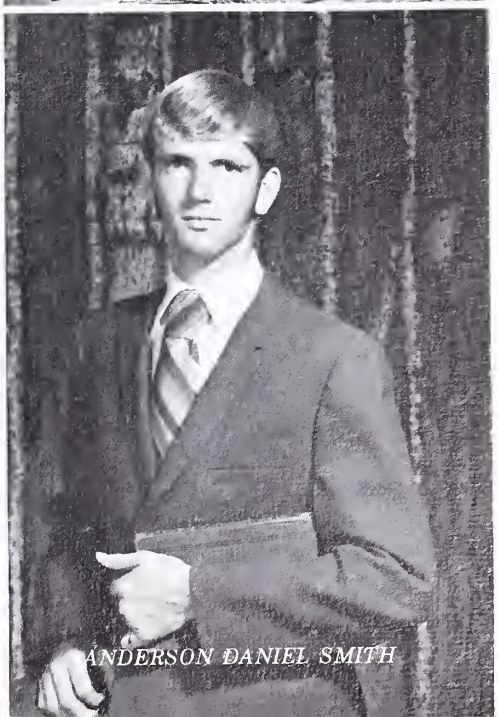
CHARLES SAUNDERS, "Charles."

ANDERSON DANIEL SMITH, "Smitty."
Band 8-12, Drum Major 12.



DANIEL RUEHL

CHARLES SAUNDERS



ANDERSON DANIEL SMITH

CYNTHIA LEE SPRU

KIE STE

GARY DON STONEB

Marriage limits extra curricular activities

The greatest percentage of marriages ever to take place in a class at our school took place among the students of the senior class. Some were returning parents and others newlywed over the duration of the summer and during the year.

Along with school responsibilities, they shared other responsibilities difficult, both physically and mentally. Their school memories might include the first time they wrote their new name on a paper and heard it called on the roll. They became limited in their school activities and there was a definite reversal in goals for these students as graduation became their short term goal and raising a family their long term goal.

ANN BRADSHAW THOMA

BEVERLY SHEFFIELD WARD

DAVID JOHNSON

DEBRA FREEMAN WA

LU ANN WATKIN

CYNTHIA LEE SPRUILL, "Cindy."
Pep Club 8-10; JV Cheerleader 9; FNA 9-11; Cheerleader 10-12, Co-capt. 12; SCA 12; Islander Staff 11-12, Business Mgr. 12; Drama Club 12, Homecoming Queen 12; Basketball Night Rep. 11-12; Queen 12.

VICKIE STEPP, "Vickie."
Glee Club 8-10, FHA 8-10.

GARY DON STONEBERG, "Gary."
Band 8-11; JV Football 9; Football 10-11; Chess Club 9, Wrestling 9-10, Humanities Club 11; Science Club 12; Track 8-9.

ANN BRADSHAW THOMAS, "Ann."
Band 8-9, Pom-Pom Girl 9; Girl's Basketball 10-11; Pep Club 10, Island Echo Staff 11; Varsity Club 11; Office Aide 12.

BEVERLY SHEFFIELD WARD, "Beverly."
FHA 11; Historian 12; Home Ec. Aide 12.

DAVID JOHNSON WARD, "David."
JV Football 9; Football 10-12, Capt. 12; JV Basketball 9-10; VICA Pres. 12.

DEBRA FREEMAN WATKINS, "Debra."
Art Club 9; FNA 9, Pep Club 9, FHA 8; Glee Club 10.

LU ANN WATKINS, "Lu Ann."
Art Club 8, FNA 8-11, Pep Club 9-11; Glee Club 10; Girl's Basketball Mgr. 10; Island Echo Staff 11; Islander Staff 12; Office Aide 12.

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MIKE ELDER GASPS *for breath as he finally gets that important pin against York.*

FREDRIC ALAN WERNER

COACH FAY GIVES *Pat McBride a few last minute pointers before the game gets underway.* PAULETTE BENTON, HEAD *majorette, performs during halftime to the beat of the Pep Band.*

PAMELA D

STEVEN WERNER

COLLEEN SUE WILLIAMSON

FREDRIC ALAN WERNER, "Mole."
Transferred from Beamen-Conrad HS 8; JV Football 8; JV Baseball 8.

STEVEN WERNER, "Steve."

PAMELA DIANE WHITE, "Pam."
Latin Club 9, Pep Club 9-11; Drama Club 9-12; Class Sec. 10, SCA 11-12, Sec. 12, Honor Council 12, Homecoming Rep. 12, Miss Poquoson High 10, Basketball Night Rep. 12.

COLLEEN SUE WILLIAMSON, "Sue."
Transferred from Point Loma HS 11; FHA 8-9; Clinic Aide 12.

JERRY LEE WILSON, "Jerry."
Transferred from Thorpe Jr. HS 9; Pep Club 9; JV Basketball 9, JV Football 9, Football 11-12; Basketball 10-12, Baseball 10, Varsity Club 11.

ROBERT WHITE WOOD, "Bobby."
Science Club 8-10, Basketball 9; Chess Club 9; Humanities Club 11; Pep Club 8-10; Office Aide 12; French Club 10.

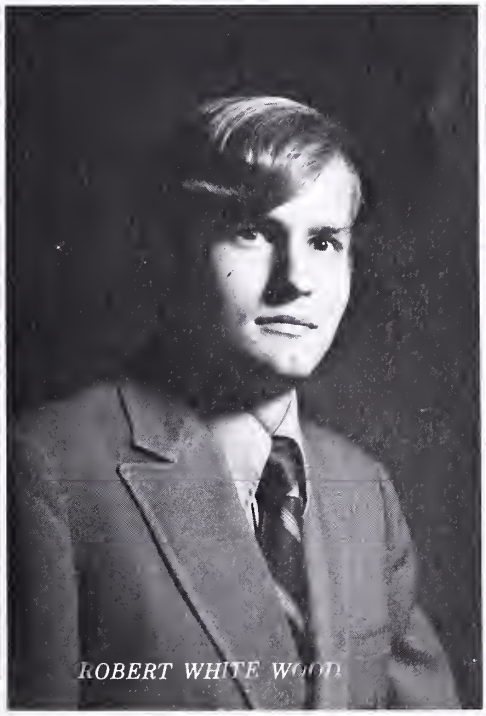
CYNTHIA LYNN WYATT, "Cindy."
JV Cheerleader 9, Pep Club 9-12, Honor Council 9, Glee Club 10-11; Islander Staff 11; Cheerleader 12; Office Aide 12.

Controversial issues cause turmoil in class meetings.

Often divided, the senior class was one of individuals. The first senior class meeting appeared to be a daze of chaos, tempers raged and nothing much was accomplished during it's two hour duration. The most controversial issue discussed at the meeting was the question of whether or not to purchase an annual ad for the class. Some suggested the money be contributed to the school; while others argued for the ad because it is traditionally the senior farewell page in the annual. The only thing accomplished at the meeting was the selection of the homecoming candidates.

The next meeting was a repetition of the first. The president had put the ad to a vote in the form of a ballot along with the candidates for homecoming queen. On a ballot, the seniors were asked if they would like an ad in the annual and, if so, what size. If they did not want an ad what would they suggest be done with the money. The full page ad passed according to the ballots. Her reason for the ad being on the ballot was that all ads had to be in by September 31. At the meeting many questioned whether or not she had the right to do this. This questioning was cause for a lack of unity among the class members at the second meeting. The division of the class at such class meetings was due to the fact that most in the class were individuals with their own ideas, while others didn't care at all.

JERRY L


ROBERT WHITE WOOD

CYNTHIA LYNN WYATT

Area Industrialist prepare to meet the needs of Graduates

Many frequent happenings have helped to keep businesses operating in the rush of day to day living. Weddings, birthdays, holidays all at one time, or any other photography just to immortalize a certain moment in time. On many of the same occasions, area florists were ready to furnish appropriate floral gifts.

Being nearly surrounded by water, the peninsula characteristically maintained and was supported by shipbuilding. Though many citizens work on the water, with boats and ships, there are always those who longed to get away to the mountains in trailors and tents.

Businesses supply the means for accomodation of these daily acitvities and needs through their products and services.

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When we started out in 1886 we were just a small ship repair yard. We named the company Newport News. Because we were proud to be doing business here.

Today we're the largest shipyard in the world. And we're still proud to call ourselves Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company. Because a lot of the people who helped put us where we are today come from right here on the Virginia Peninsula.

With their help Newport News has become an important asset to our community, our state and our nation.

Sure launching over 500 ships in a little more than 80 years is a pretty impressive achievement. But we're not standing still for that. We're constantly looking to the future.

And since our acquisition by Tenneco Inc. we've got an even greater encore lined up for our employees and the community.

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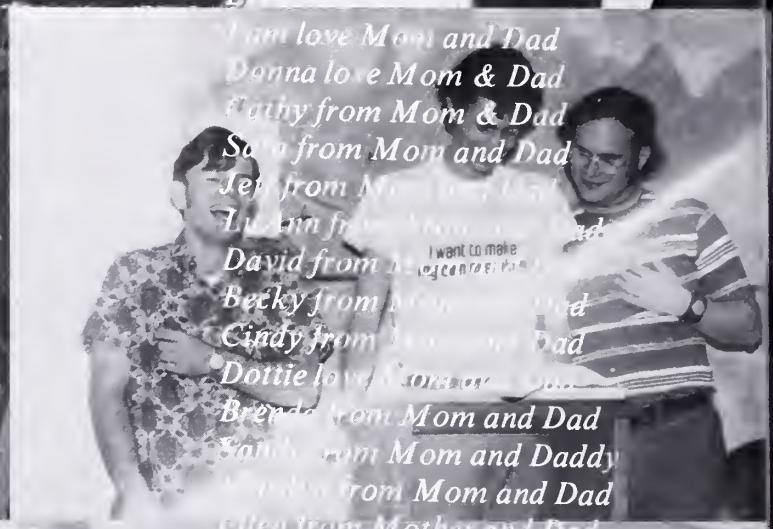

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Donna love Mom & Dad
Cathy from Mom & Dad
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David from
Becky from
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Brenda from Mom and Dad
Sandy from Mom and Daddy
from Mom and Dad
Ellen from Mother and Dad
Paulette from Mom and Dad
Gary from Momma and Daddy
Pam White from Mom and Dad
Ty Cobb from Mom and Edwin
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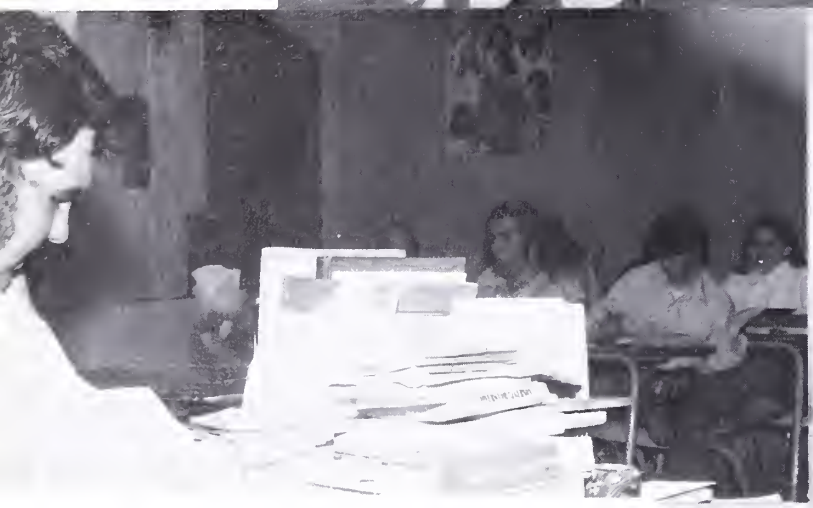

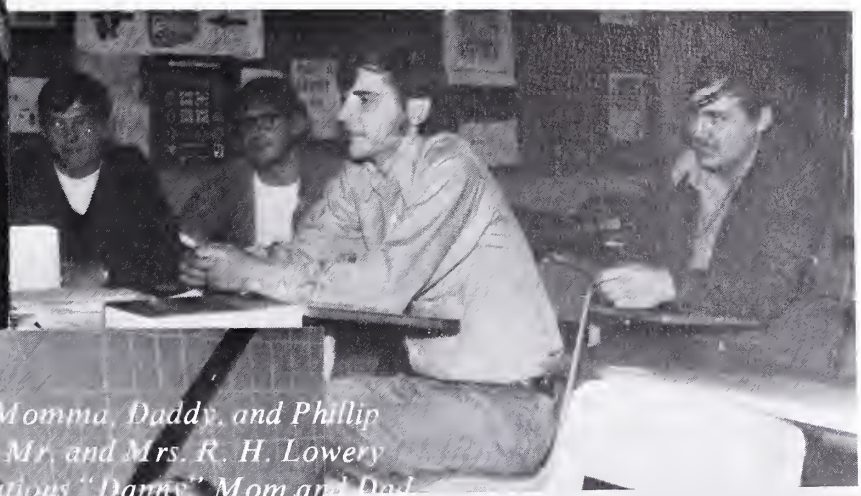

Ann from Momma, Daddy, and Phillip
Mike from Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lowery
Congratulations "Danny" Mom and Dad
Lynne from Mom and Dad, Jay and [illegible]
Sherry best wishes from Mom and Dad
Debbie Carmines from Momma and Daddy
Good luck to Jeannie and the class of
'72 from Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Louquet
To the healthy KID! from Pop, and [illegible]
Congratulations Mike from Mom and [illegible]
Nathan from Mr. and Mrs. J. N. F[illegible]
Bobby and Mike Firth from Mom and Dad
Nancy Freeman from Mama, Dad, [illegible]
Congratulations Garry from Mom and Dad
George from Mr. and Mrs. Earl McDowell
Danny from Mom and Dad, Cindy and [illegible]
Congratulations Raymond from Mom [illegible]
Congratulations — our other boys [illegible] and
Mike, and Bobby — Kathleen and [illegible]
Gary from Mr. and Mrs. William A. McPherson
Congratulations to Donna from Mother and Dad
Braden from Mr. and Mrs. John Braden Forrest
Von from Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hinebright and Ima
Congratulations David Nix[illegible] from Mom and Dad
E. T. Firth, Jr. extends his congratulations to his
wife, Donna, and to the senior class of 1972
Congratulations to Donna Guthrie Fr[illegible]
and Mrs. D. H. Guthrie, David, Philip, and [illegible]
Congratulations to Danny from Mr. and Mrs. [illegible]
Congratulations to [illegible] from Mr. and Mrs. [illegible]
Congratulations to [illegible] from Mr. and Mrs. L. [illegible] McBride
To a very sweet daughter Beverly love from Mom and Dad
Sher[illegible] Mom, Horst, Kay, [illegible], Tony, Wa[illegible] and Lis[illegible]
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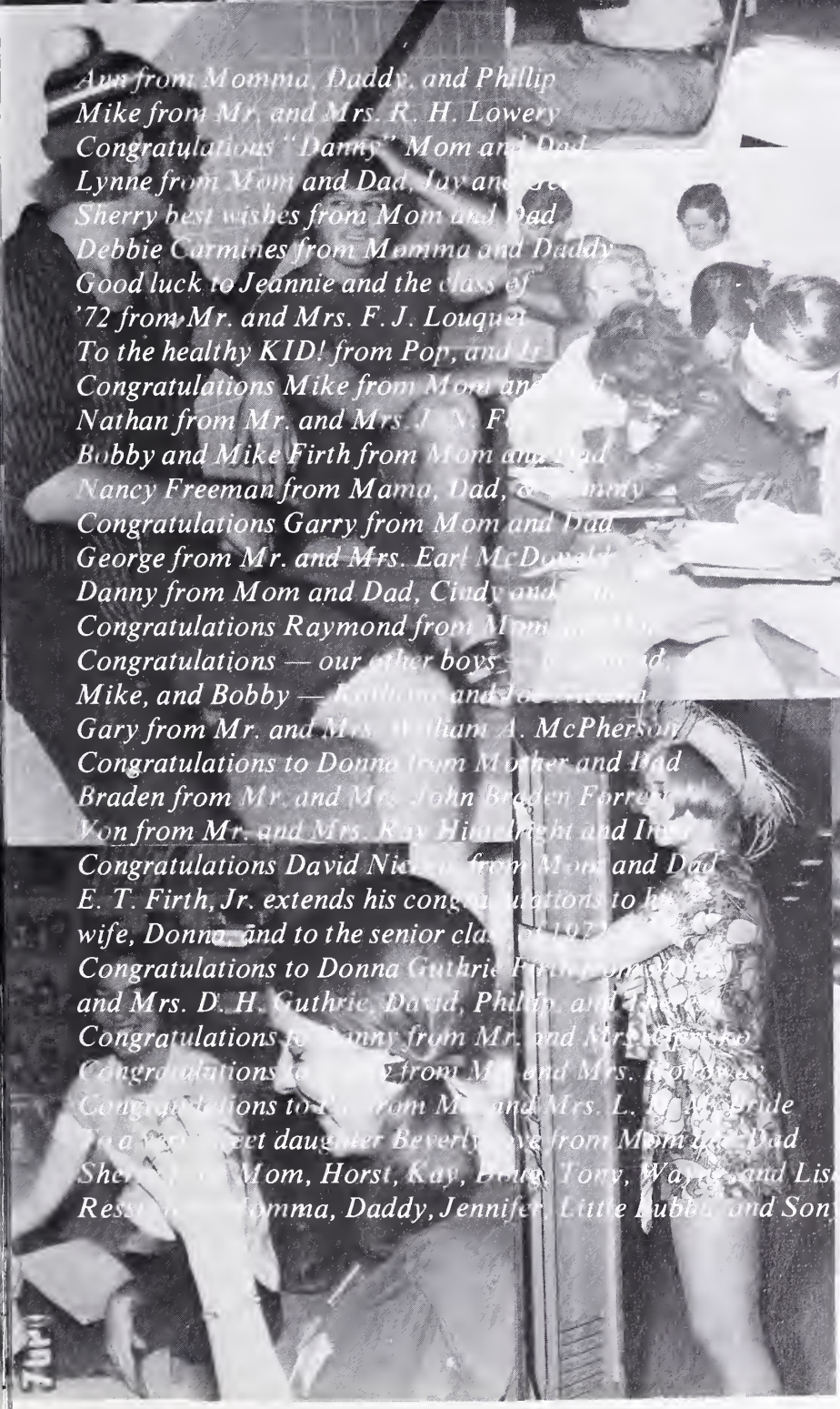

CLASSES

The student body consisted of the eighth through twelfth grades. Each class had its own characteristics and adjustments. The eighth graders were known as "rats." They did not know much about the functions of the school but soon learned that late-slips and hall passes, although minor, were very much a part of school life. The ninth graders contributed greatly to JV sports whereas the juniors were more involved with the Varsity teams as well as the Prom and class rings. Sophomores were the "middle of the road" class. They had, by now, become well informed on the function of the school. Each year a new group of students fills the class slots, their adjustments

seem characteristic of many preceding classes, they differ only in their immediate needs and social goals.

The student body also included the sixth and seventh grades, or intermediate grades. Their classes began earlier and functioned differently than those of the remainder of the student body. They were not allowed to participate in social events of the high school, although they did provide the major support for the JV and Intermediate sports. They occupied the opposite end of the old school building. As a result, they became an unseen, though vital, part of Poquoson High.

STEVE MADRE FINDS chemistry class to be very amusing every now and then.

The junior girls were determined to give the senior girls a rough time.

Judy Carter
Kay Cooper
Patti Cross
Liz Conrad
Chat Crawford
Barbara Cummings

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There is nothing like nights and nights of learning how to fake passes, kick-off, receive a punt, line up for offense, and the night of the game, not even score.

Junior members of the Varsity football team, Wes Stephens and Bubba Jones, served as their coaches, and several junior boys dressed up as cheerleaders to root the junior girls on to victory.

The junior girls were determined to give the senior girls a rough time after the seniors received two points for a safety.

The huddle was mass confusion; on offense the quarterback, Dianne Watkins, continuously gave the ball to the same person after a slight pause, which allowed the seniors to rush in; their defense was rough.

Better line-ups came in the second half. The lines became harder to hold for the seniors.

With the game ending 2-0, in favor of the seniors, both squads walked off the field reluctantly, having enjoyed the game.

Janet Ballard
Linda Bausch
Tom Blackstock
Tim Blount
Rob Booth

Clark Boyd
Barbara Bradshaw
Bobby Bryant
Cindy Bunting
Gail Bunting

Grayson Bunting
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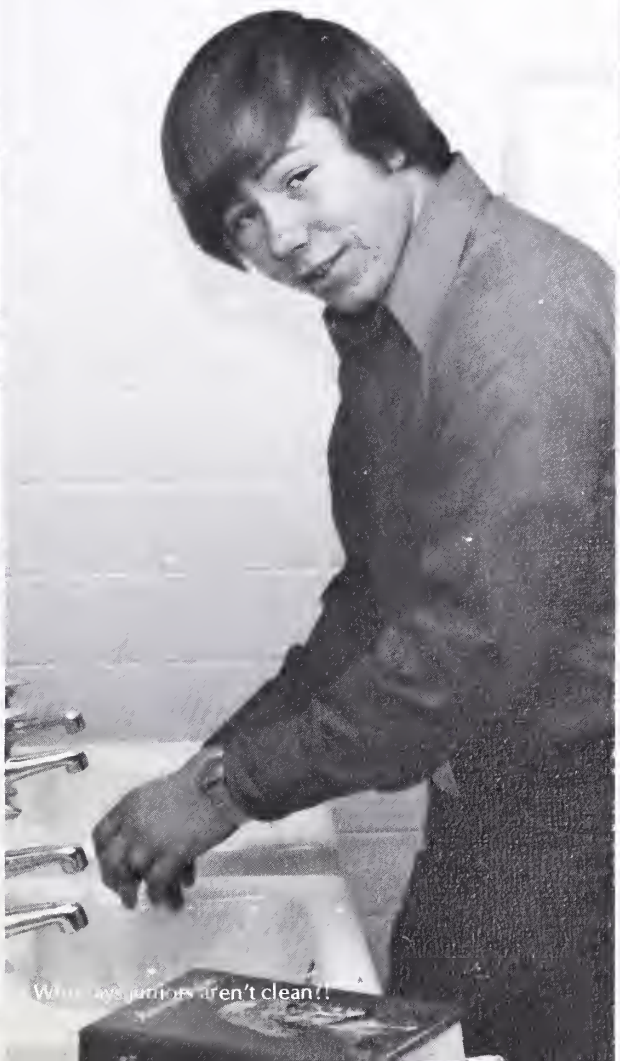

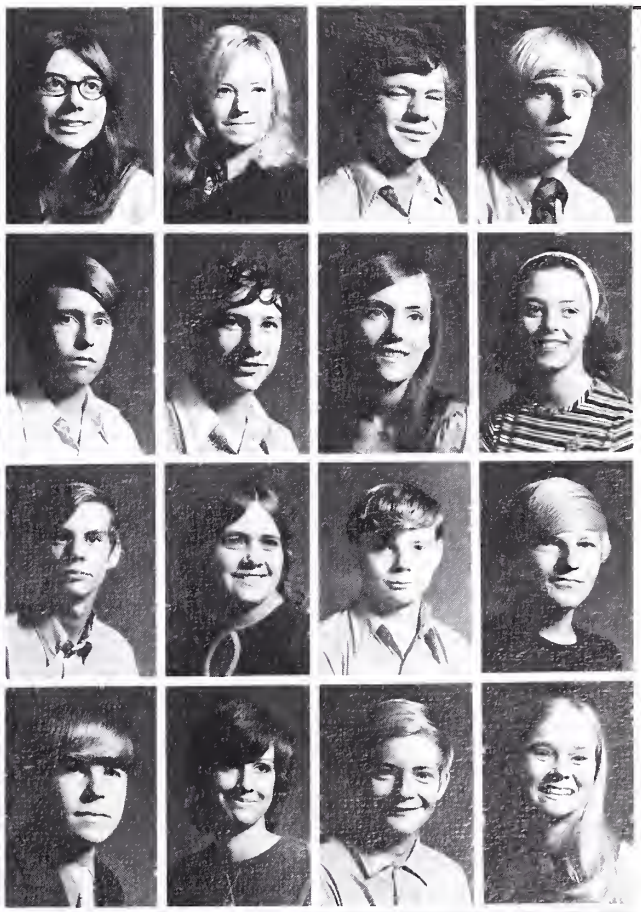

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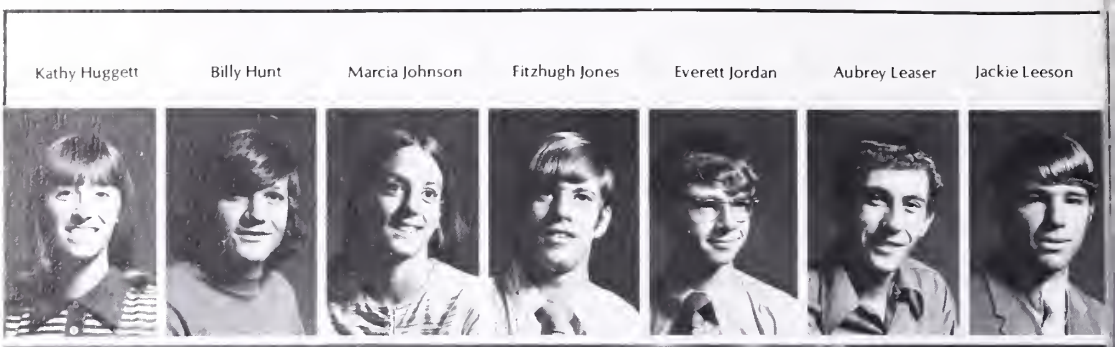

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GAIL BUNTING SMILES as she attempts to complete another drawing before 3:00.

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Janet Little
Greg McDaniels
Mike McGraw

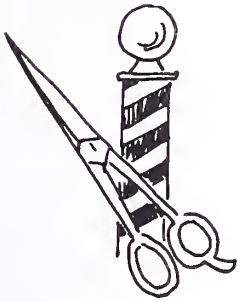
Brenda Moore
Mike Moore
Thomas Moore

Cindy Morse
Debbie Murdock
Suzy Page

Finance no obstacle for Prom Committee

The announcement, "There will be a Prom Committee meeting today after school in room 232," was heard quite often during the year. Approximately twenty juniors participated on the Prom Committee. These twenty students, under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Paulson, came up with ways the junior class could make money to give the prom. The junior class held dances, sold candy and various items from sales kits to make money. Mr. Paulson stated, that there has been talk of having a slave sale, but no definite plans had been made. Finance did not seem to be a major obstacle, however, according to their sponsor; the main problems lay in the enthusiasm of the students.

Even with plans made early in January for the prom to be held in May, the enthusiasm of most juniors remained low for they had not realized that they were capable and responsible, and would have no problem taking over the title of "Seniors" next September.



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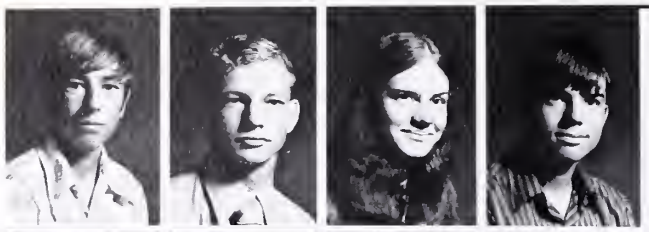
" . . . like I was in a small way finally growing up, at last."

What a Christmas present! The announcement was made early in December that junior rings could be picked up in the morning. They walked the halls proudly. Everyone knew who the juniors were; they were the kids who were flashing their hands about as they carried on a conversation, or they were always polishing the stone. However, not all rings arrived in time for Christmas. Those unlucky juniors impatiently waited, making trip after trip to the office to see if their rings had come.

It was the middle of January when the other rings arrived. Once again they were a junior class; everyone had their ring. Pam Carmines stated, "The most important event in my junior year was receiving my ring. It made me feel important."

Libby Woolard said, "Receiving my class ring made me feel like I was in a small way finally growing up, at last."



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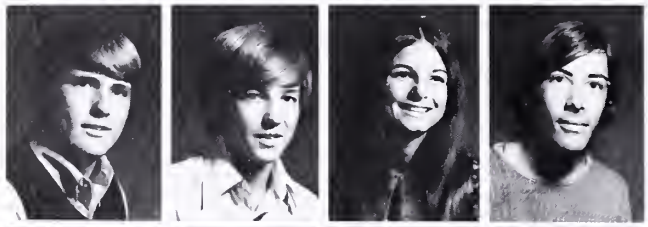

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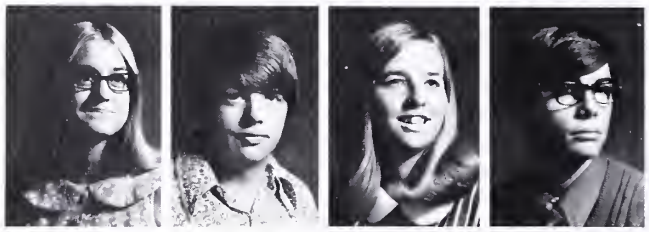

Donna Wilson
Jimmy Winder
Libby Woolard
Kenny Wright

BRENDA CARMINES AND Dianne Watkins make careful observations before preparing their lab reports for chemistry class.

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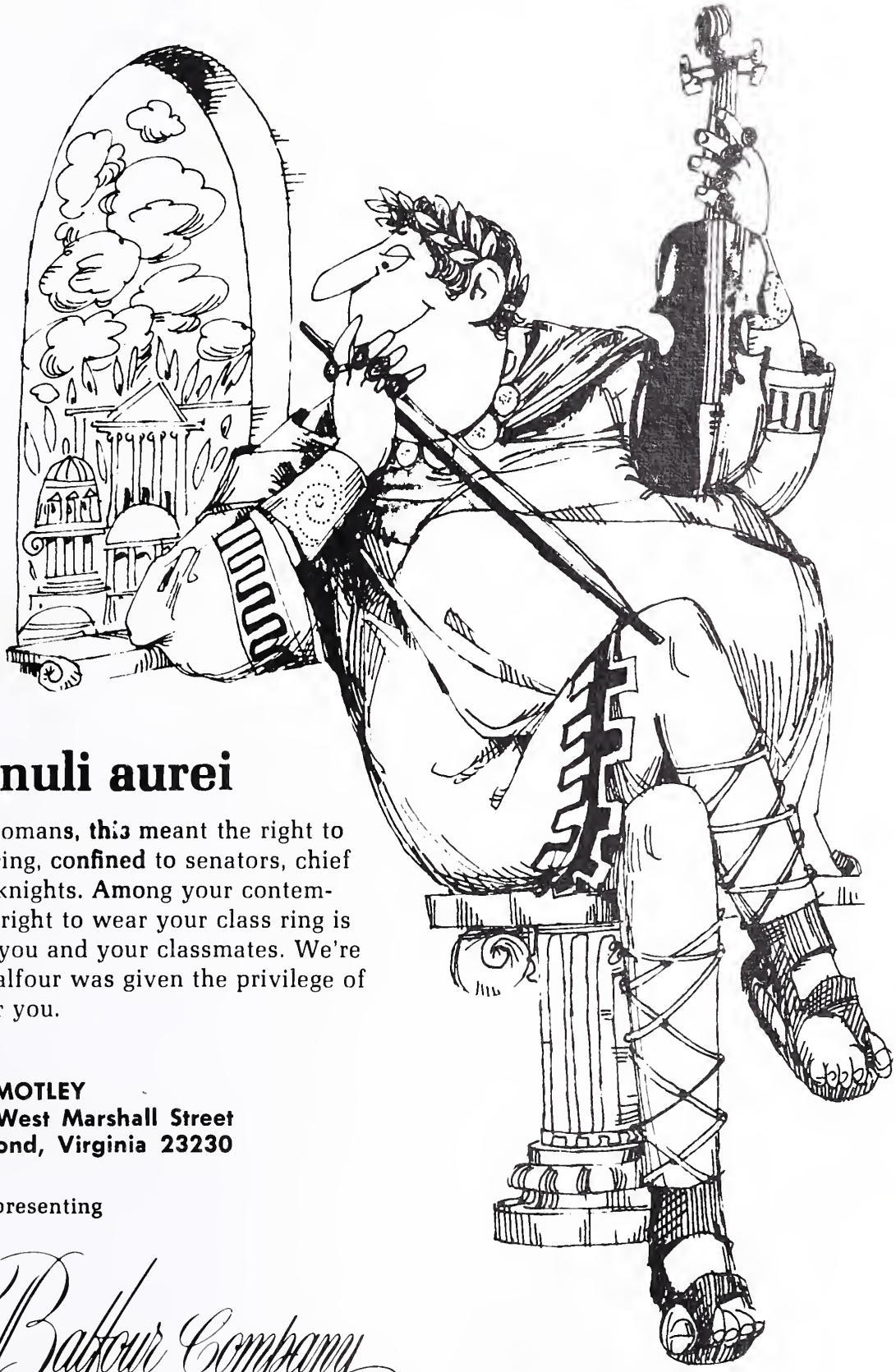

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Middle-of-The-road class has high hopes & dreams

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Bobby Backus
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Bobby Blackstock
Elaine Bois
Mark Boyd
Lucia Bridwell

Paul Bryant
Paul Campbell
Patty Carpenter
Claude Carr

KATHY WYATT, SCA member, seems pleased with the turnout at the Holly Ball. *JV CHEERLEADER, ANNA* Holloway cheers enthusiastically while riding in homecoming parade.

If there were ever a Middle-of-the-road class, the sophomore class is one. There is nothing drastically different with this class than hardly any other throughout the state, or country. They are Poquoson High School's most content and restless group. They are not pressured to decide on their futures. Some have high hopes — others are still drifting and dreaming. Bobby Backus plans to become free man and to tell off all the teachers who gave him a hard time. Whereas Cathy Lilly plans to enter Madison College and major in Physical Education. Danny Gainous wants "to graduate from high school and go to college for two years." Anna Holloway is looking foreward to getting a job and "just live." Robin Corley says, "I want to become a Horticulturist." Teresa Forrest is planning to go to nursing school. On the other hand Mike Stoneburg wants to join the U. S. Army. And Butch Backus would like "to go to college, if I can."

Sophomores are not excited about "getting used to high school." They know Who's Who and what's going on where. Their worries seem to be few and their likes and dislikes are not uncommon, but heard daily. What they want changed is sometimes more abrupt than others might request. Rusty Logan says "Build a bigger school and drain the swamps.!"

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Mike Firth
Myrtle Firth
Mark Forrest
Teresa Forrest

Tommy Forrest
Cindy Fox
Jay Freeman

Johnny Gaus
Kevin Gibbs
Debbie Garrell

Mary Gwaltney
Joan Healy
Jackie Herman

SOPHOMORES, MELINDA THORNE and Rhonda Rollins appear thrilled to the touch of mushy, wet paper maché as they begin work on their class float.

When the sophomores reached their third year of secondary education, with only two more years to go before graduation, they began to be totally accustomed to the habits of high school. They came to realize which bell signified split lunch, and when Mr. Evans wanted to see them, they went to his office in the new building instead of the main office in the old building. Sophomore Butch Backus said he felt older now that he had reached his tenth grade year.

By reaching the half-way mark, the sophomores became more associated with the older two classes. They switched from sitting on the left hand side of the auditorium, to sitting on the right hand side during assemblies. "It must really be something," said Cindy Fox, "sitting in the middle." Her emotions spoke for many as their sophomore year rounded to a close and the "middle-of-the-road" class looked forward to taking over the title of Juniors.

They switched from sitting on the left hand side of the auditorium, to sitting on the right hand side.

Sophomore Class

Carol Hibbard
Gerald Holland

Anna Holloway
Cheryl Holloway

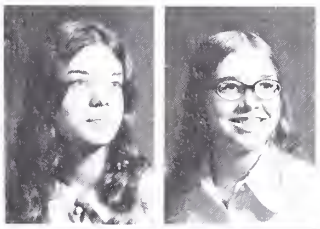
John Holloway
Sydney Holloway
Tommy Hooper

Wayne Huggett
David Insley
Vickie Jackson

Dottie Jerd
Fawn Johnson
Cindy Jordan

INVOLVED STUDENTS, LIKE sophomore Rhonda Rollins, are constantly busy with school business.

WRESTLERS PAUL CAMPBELL, "Squeaky McPherson, and Mark Boyd pay off their debts to Mr. Trousdell by washing his truck.



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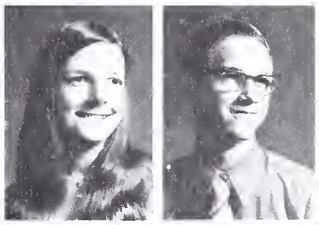
Betty Lankford



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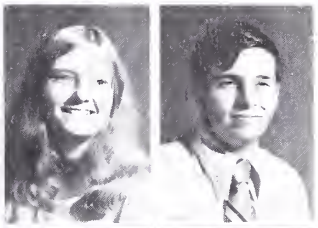
Randy Lawson

Cathy Lilly
Rusty Logan



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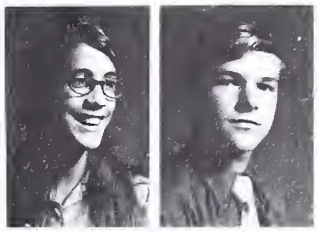

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Pat McPherson

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Danny Moore
Gordon Moore

Janet Moore
Mike Nerney

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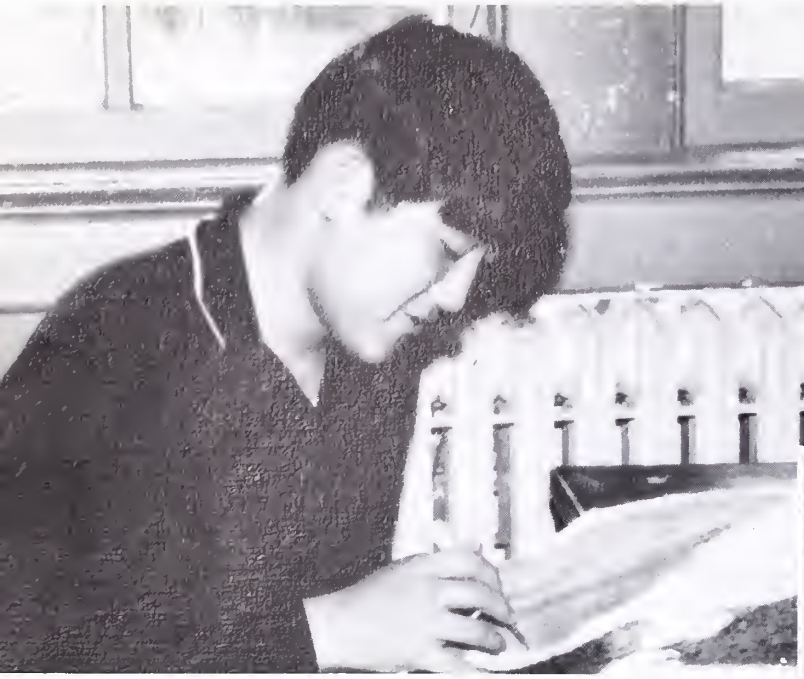

Melinda Thorne
Mike Stoneberg
Bernard Smith

Will Smith
Harold Skinner
Ivy Wainwright

Debbie West
David White
Karen White
Patty Williams

Marsha Wilson
Carol Winder
David Wornom
Kathy Whitlow

QUINN ENJOYS making a rug in art. Such imaginative and creative talent. *IVEY WAINWRIGHT DRUDGINGLY* begins another school day, with books and lunch in hand.

Sophomores become more serious minded students.

Some sophomores were becoming more serious minded about their work; but, more often than not it became a half and half situation when "real" questions were asked them. To some peace was "no commotion" and unity was helping your friends stay together, or as Nanette Saunders puts it "accepting the fact that the next man to you is your equal . . . ". Even with the not so strange combination of apathy and interest, the sophomores participated in most of the school competitions throughout the year. Their drive was still noticeable, proof lies in the fact that they were strong workers in the float competition during homecoming. After losing that, they made a strong come-back to win the paper-drive. They played a large part in the backbone of the school's athletic functions and programs. Anna Holloway says that in being a sophomore she has, "learned to accept disappointments." Adjusting to disappointments or daily happenings is a never ending ocurrance for most any student, though Chris Christman said, "I don't think I have made any adjustments." Another student said, "The hardest adjustment yet was the change of subjects each year." Eileen Mitchell felt that she was having to study a lot harder.

Adjustments, or readjustments, disappointments, all helped where the tenth graders were concerned. A senior says, "Take my advice and 'KEEP-ON-TRUCKIN.' "

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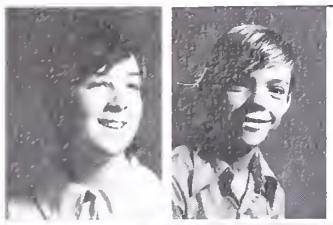

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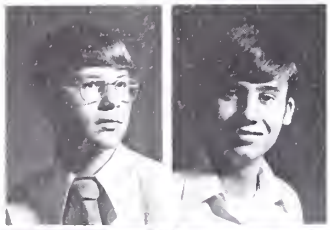
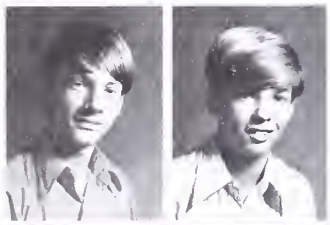
Richard Ashley



Bobby Backus
Earl Branch



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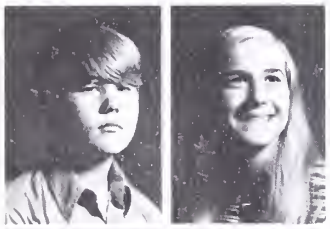
Luke Bridwell



Ray Brown
Beverly Burrage

Eileen Carmines
Betty Clark

Cherly Clark
Robbie Clark

School rules didn't change for an eighth grader stepping into tne role of freshman. The realization of what was expected of them and of their capabilities was encountered by each 9th grader. Responsibilities dealt with their short range goals and long range ambitions. "This year I decided to look forward to growing up and facing things as they really are, without the help of drugs." said S.C. Their ideas and thoughts were not earth shaking, but they became a vital part of a beginning for freshmen at Poquoson High School. They had a chance to break-in their upper and lower classmen, even when it seemed just the other way around. Tracey Muza recalled the worst thing that happened to her was when some dumb senior poured chocolate milk down her back.

Sheila Collins
Lisa Comstock

John Cooper
Jackie Cummings

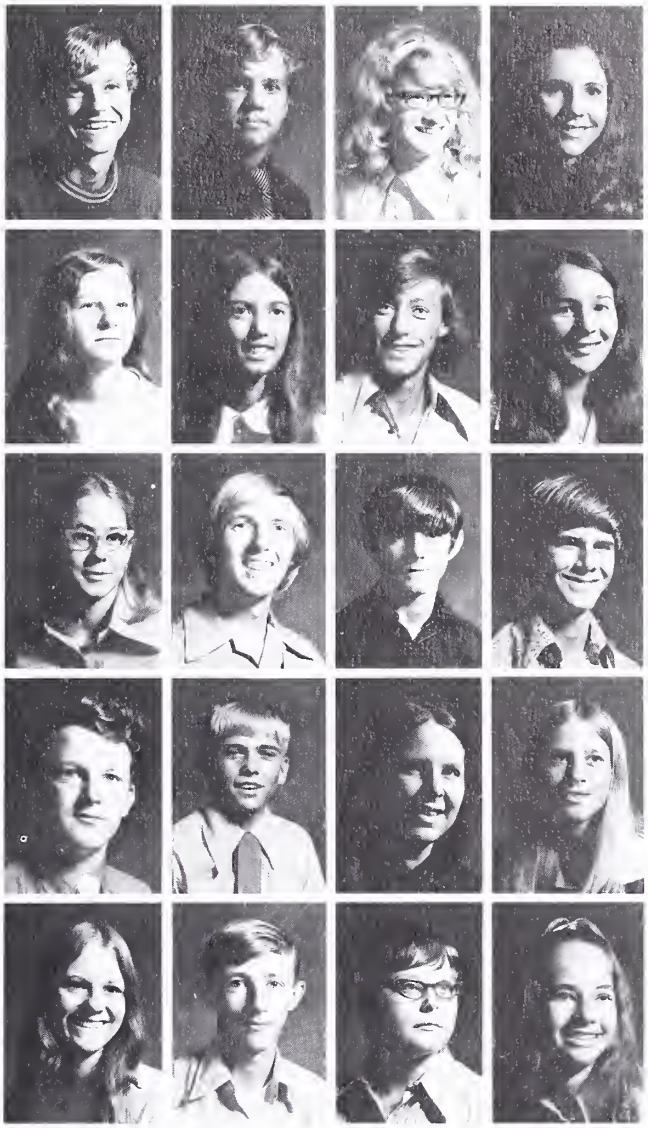
David Davenport
Danny Diggs

Audrey Dryden
Mary Beth Edwards

Sarah Edwards
Cathy Evans

Edd Evans
Karen Evans

FRESHMAN BILLIE JO Mondeau appears to be apprehensive in following Mrs. Potts instructions for guarding your man.



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Mike Firth
Theresa Firth
Carmen Forrest

Mary Forrest
Pam Forrest
David Follett
Hilda Freeman

Mary Frishkorn
George Gage
Lanny Gainous
David Gardy

Brad Gilikin
Keith Goodson
Mary Gorde
Cindy Hall

Linda Hall
Larry Haney
Jody Henley
Inga Himelright

Paul Evans
Sherry Ferguson

Toni Ezzell
Bruce Firth

Abbey Farrell
Charles Firth

Janice Ferguson
Gail Firth

KATHY KRUGER AND Ann Ansley enjoy a relaxing lunch away from the routine of the classroom.

Roger Holland
Martha Hunt

Greg Holloway
Billy Inge

Linda Holt
Nancy Ingle

Lynn Howard
Pat Ingle

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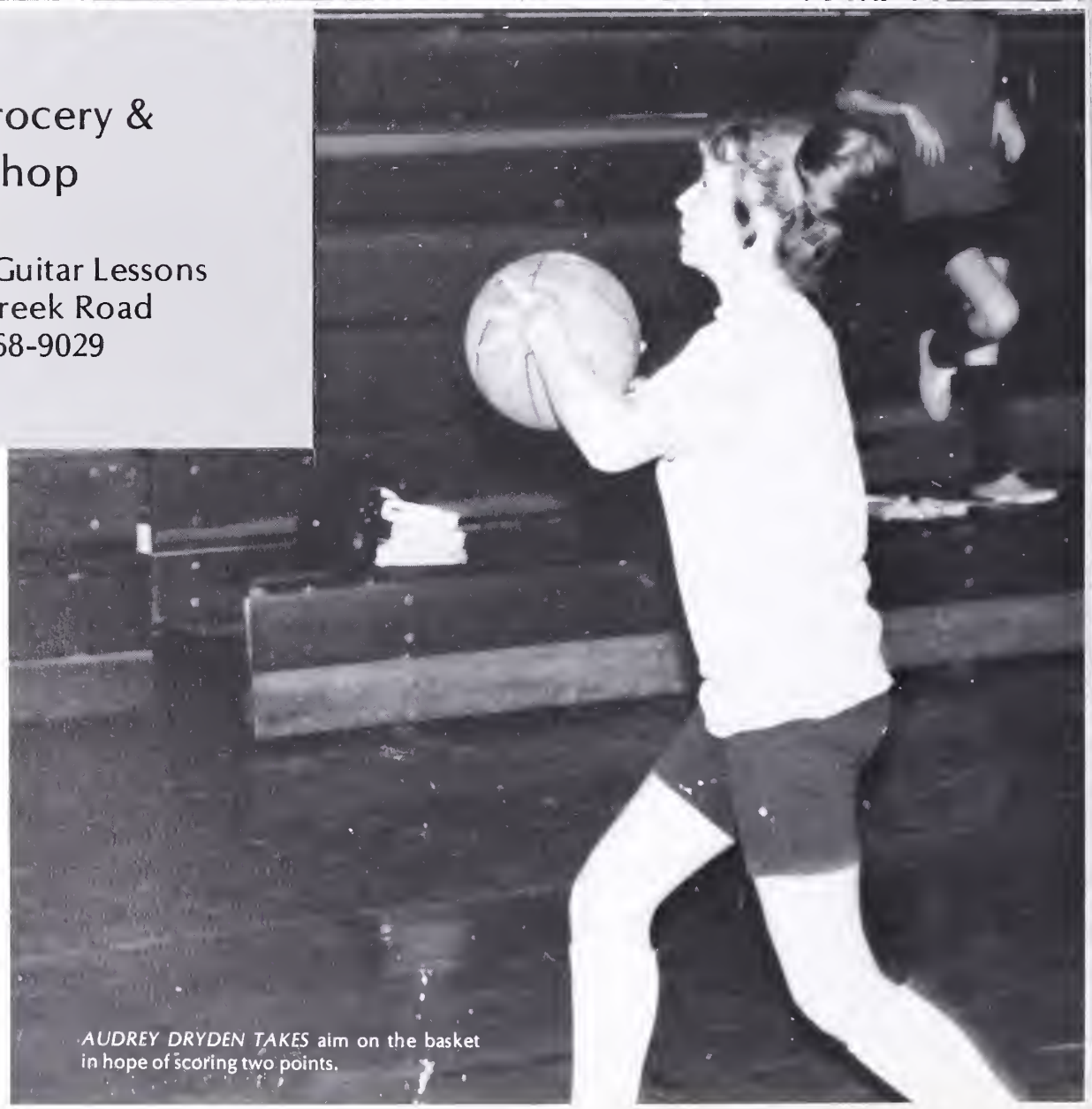

AUDREY DRYDEN TAKES aim on the basket in hope of scoring two points.

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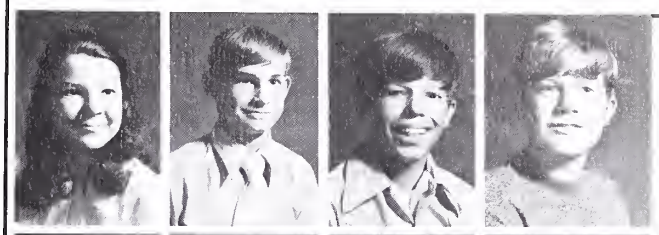

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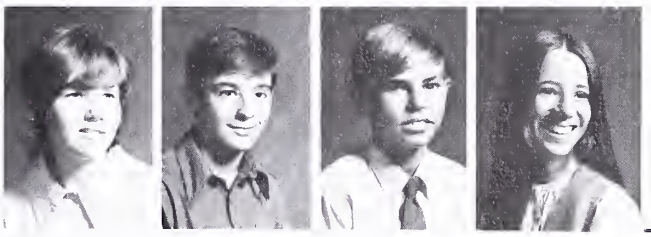
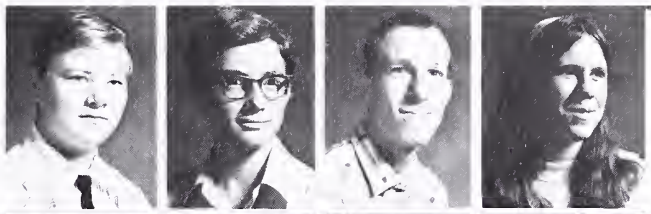


Carolyn Marshall
Tommy Messick
Kenneth Miley
Barbara Moore

Freshman adjustments vary from the shock of love to the shock of electrical sockets.

"Becoming a freshman means having more responsibilities than before and being more capable of doing things." — T.M. Freshman adjustments varied. Many were not as concerned with school as others. "My biggest adjustment was getting over Ted. It's taken me three years, and I think this is the year." — Jackie Cummings

Learning did not always come from books, as one 9th grader found out. "In art, one day I was listening to Mrs. Clark and I was just fooling around with an electrical socket on my table and I just kind of put my little pen knife in it. I thought I was dead," said Bruce Firth. "A blue bolt shot me across the room and nearly scared me and the teacher to death. I'll just listen next time."



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Wally Moore
Tracy Muza

Theresa Neal
Margie Norton
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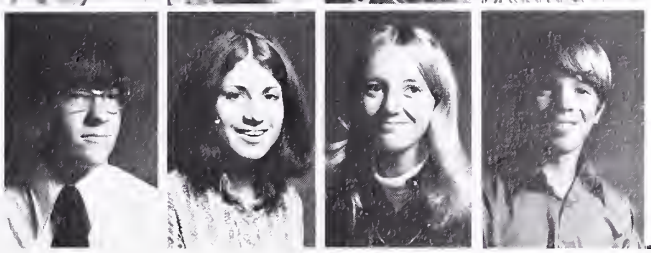
Bruce Parham



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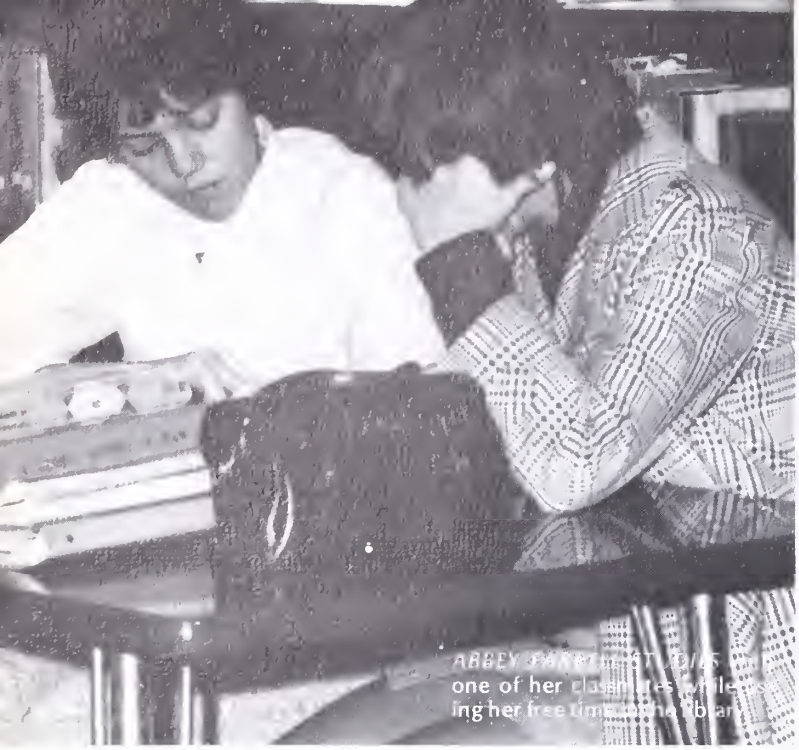
Jamie Powell
Jan Powell
Patrick Ray



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Ann Reynolds
Gary Riggins
Marvin Rollins
Billie Jo Rondeau

Bobby Saunders
Kevin Seifrig
Curtis Shaw
Martine Sincoskie

Doug Sikora
Susan Stevens
Becky Thomas
Robert Tignor

Wade Trumph
Blane Tutor
David Verser
Shirley Wainwright

Shirley Wallace
Lisa Watson
Karen West
Karen White

The future was still miles and years away

Being a freshman, in elective classes, had no prestige. They mixed with upper and lower classmen, but some made general observations about their likes and dislikes. "I'd like to change Mr. White and the school system; a student should only have to come to school 5 hours a day," suggested an anonymous student. Ed Evans noted that his favorite class (astrology) isn't offered.

Members of the class itself were avid supporters at pep rallies and vied strongly with the seniors for the spirit stick. Even with all of this support for various activities, there were still some who were individuals and who would offer oppinions on various aspect of the school's activities and the surrounding area. "Toys for Tots and Paper Drive?!!! No, I didn't want to bring all that crap to school," stated an anonymous student. "Sports? I'd get creamed!" Joel Leeper said.

The future was still miles and years away for the freshman class. Some of their goals were unrealistic. Most were not as realistic as their goals seemed. Randy Luten dreamed of going to an island in the Pacific with plenty of food and lovin' women. They hadn't considered really what the outside world might offer, or what place they might fill. One sincere Bull Island girl said, "I wouldn't dare leave Poquoson, it's my home and my friends are here."

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FRESHMEN CLASS

The Sophomores participated in most of the school competitions throughout.

8th grade class

The first few days were total confusion, with the usual problem of trying to figure out whether room 220 was upstairs in the old or new building. "Finding my new classrooms," says Sharon Arnett, "was the biggest adjustment that faced me this year." They had always wondered what it would be like to be "Rat," and now they know.

A "Rat" at Poquoson High School was not something brown with a long tail. The eighth graders were given the nickname "Rats" because at one time they were the youngest class in the high school. According to Forrest Tyndall his biggest adjustment was becoming a Rat. Wherever it came from, the nickname has existed for many years.

David Bishop
Robert Bois
Laurie Booth
Tony Born
Rhonda Boyd
Cindy Brown
Ricky Brown

Karen Bryant
Julie Bunting
Karen Bunting
Larry Bunting
Barry Burcher
Deane Burnette
Dennis Burrage

Mark Campbell
Susan Carmines
Hobart Carmony
Curtis Cawley
Gene Champ
Kathy Cloonan
John Collins

Barbara Connaughton
Tommi Davis
Tracy Davis
Cory Diehl
Brenda Dillon
Wayne Dodson
Doug Drummond

Stormy Ezzell
Eddie Firman
Arlene Firth
Dennis Firth
Jerry Firth
Frank Floyd
Bill Forrest

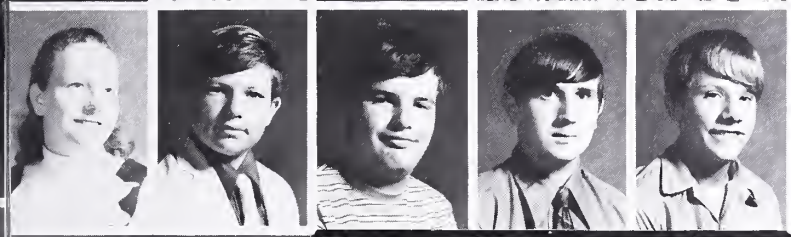
Donald Adkins
Sharon Arnett
Sharon Austin

Ricky Backus
Terri Baker
Mary Ballard

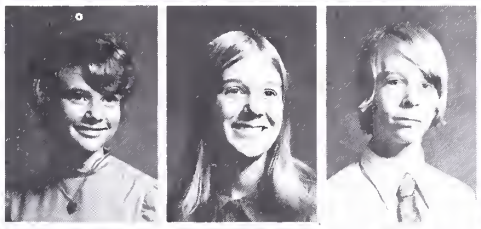
Tressa Banton
Anthony Bargeman
Betty Belch

EIGHTH GRADE BAND member Kathie Proctor seems to enjoy early morning band practices, although drummers Bunky Carr and Tim Moore aren't quite as enthusiastic.

CHRISTINE JOHNSON, CINDY Miller, Martha Jordan, and Lisa Watson join in a cheer on the Pep Club bus following an Islander victory.



BEING A MEMBER of the Drama Club was one of many activities eighth grade students such as Doug Drummond participated in.



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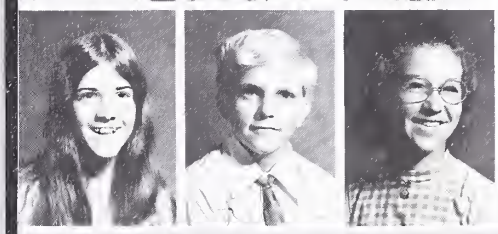

Debbie Gainous
Preston Gaus
Linda Geissenger

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Lynn Godwin
Patricia Gottschall
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Phillip Guthrie

Garland Hanson
Roger Hastings
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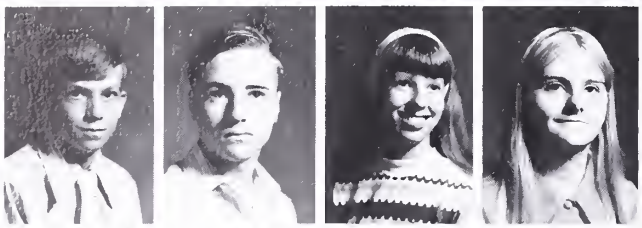
Doug Hibbard

Kenny Holloway
Robert Holloway
Rita Holt
Regina Holloway



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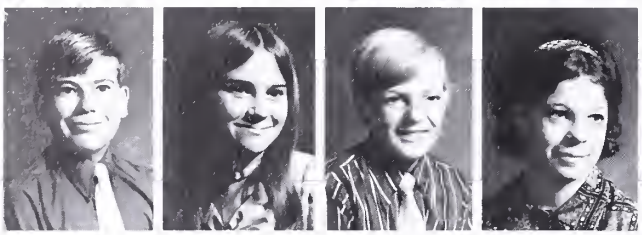

THESE STUDENTS EXHIBIT 1001 ways to use your lunch period.

S. P. Moore

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General Merchandise

"The teacher is too hoarse to holler . . . but, she sure tries."

To be a "Rat" meant not realizing until the end of the six weeks that teachers give six week tests and they should have saved their old test papers, break in the lunch line, and remembering after their third late slip that three late slips equal three days suspension from school. Another privelege the eighth graders received was that they could finally attend and participate in the high school activities. Martha Forrest thinks that one of the best days of the school year is Sadie Hawkins day. She says, "It's lots of fun and you can patch the guy that doesn't like you enough to ask you to any other dance."

Probably one of the best priveleges available to the eighth grade student is that of choosing his own electives for the first time in his school career. The choices are usually art, shop, chorus, Home Economics and in some cases a foreign language. Stormy Ezzell likes her choice of art because of its casual atmosphere. Then there are those whose only favorite subject is sixth period because then, "The teacher is too hoarse to holler at us by the end of the day. But, she sure tries hard," says Frank Floyd.

James Melton
Jerry Melton

Hunter Merrill
Cindy Miller

Gary Mitchell
Cheryl Moore

Harriett Moore
Sandra Moore

Susan Moore
Grace Moss

John Hubbard
Donna Hunt
Debbie Ingle
Ruth Insley
Jennifer Jackson

Terry Jackson
Christine Johnson
Russell McKeithan
Rusty McKeithan
Mike Luten

Linda Kongslien
Martha Jordan
Perrie McMillen
Theresa Manning
Timmy Manning

Nina Marshall
Buster Martin
Joni Martin
Lewis Martin
Tony Martin

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Eighth graders learned a lot their first year.

[illegible] over his assignment during Mr. Campbell's third hour shop

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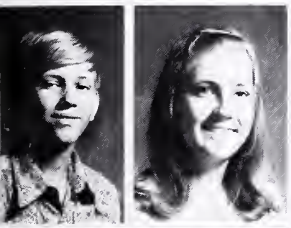
They not only selected their own electives but also they began selecting their own courses of study, according to their individual skills. For the first time they elected officers who attempted to organize and lead their class. Participating in intermediate sports and joining various clubs were also available for them to take advantage of.

Most eighth graders learned a lot from their first year of experience in high school. It was a new experience of having more than one teacher and six report cards to carry home every six weeks.

One of Mark Campbell's dislikes was that "some of the ways teachers have rules, like I got up out of my seat and the bell rang, I had to get a late slip."

The first year in high school was definitely a year of change for every "Rat" but it also proved to be a year of learning in between the harrassments. Juliette Bunting summed her year as "Rat" in the following words, "There is a feeling of learning. I don't exactly know why."



James Murdock
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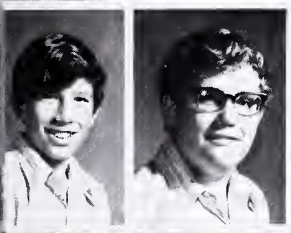

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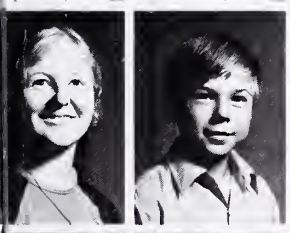

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Chuck Sharman
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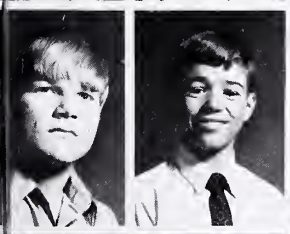

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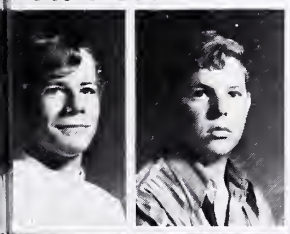
Gerald Teague
Billy Thomas
John Thomas



Joe Thomas
Linda Thomas
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Marilyn Trantham
Forrest Tyndall
David Vaughn

Belvin Ward
Billy Ward
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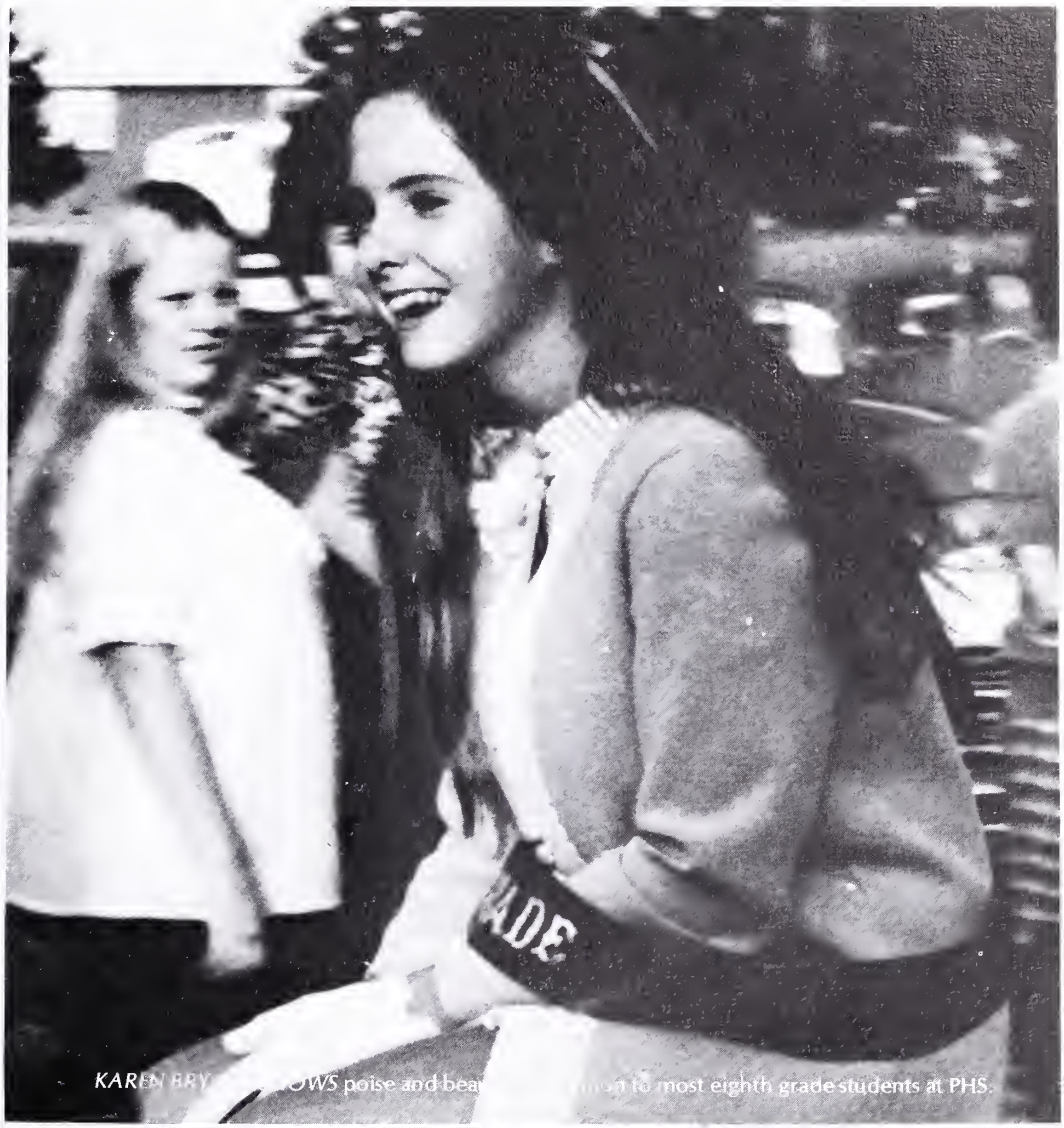
Tina Ward
Pete Whitlow



KAREN BRY[illegible]OWS poise and bea[illegible] to most eighth grade students at PHS.

Ray Winebarger
Jesse Wood
Bonnie Wornom

Connie Wornom
Wanda Wright
Greg Wyatt

Darlene Adam
Jackie Ammons
Vickie Baker

Carolyn Bales
Joan Barbour
John Bargeman

Kathy Baush
David Blackstock
John Boise

Toni Clark
Patricia Cloonan

Susan Cooper
Robert Crockett

JoAnn Cross
Linda Current

Pam Forrest

Gee Freeman

Joy Freeman

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Les Bradshaw
Gale Braxton
Brenda Bridwell

Mark Brown
Eddie Brown
Regina Bunting

Virginia Carmines
Margaret Carr
Belinda Cash

CINDY M[illegible]
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Joan Eddings
Cindy Elmore

David Evans
Steve Evans

Martha Ferguson
Nathan Firman

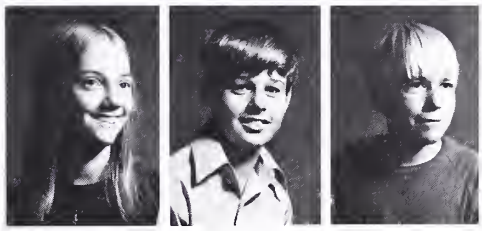
Donna Firth
Bill Forrest

Tim Freeman

A trying year, when sometimes you felt as though the whole world were against you.

Jimmy Frishkorn
Kathy Gage
Deborah Garrett

Dorothy Gibbs
Tim Goodson
Butch Gorde



Denise Gorrell
Marty Graham
Don Hall

Tabb T.V.

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They were not the first sixth or seventh grade class to attend PHS, but to themselves, they were participating in a year that was of equal importance. They had reached the point where they weren't old enough to be a teen-ager, nor young enough to be a child. "Being twelve isn't real bad," stated Susan Pauls, "sometimes it's hard though, because you want so much to be a young adult, and sometimes you wish you could be a child again." Another seventh grader adds, "I'm half kid and half adult. My parents tell me I can't do kid stuff because I'm too old, and when I want to do grown-up things they say I'm too young." It was, as it has been for every other twelve year old, an inbetween year at an inbetween age. Not only were they "half kid and half adult," they were also half associated with the high school and yet, still tied to the elementary school. A seventh grade girl called 'Mary' summed it up to be a trying year, when sometimes you felt as though the whole world were against you.

JOAN EDDINGS STRAIGHTENS her glasses and seems to be deciding whether to raise her hand and ask a question or not.

Seventh graders still have plenty of time to conjure up great fantasies.

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Kari Jordan
Lynn Joyner
Edna Lankford
Denise Lawson
Robbie Lockard

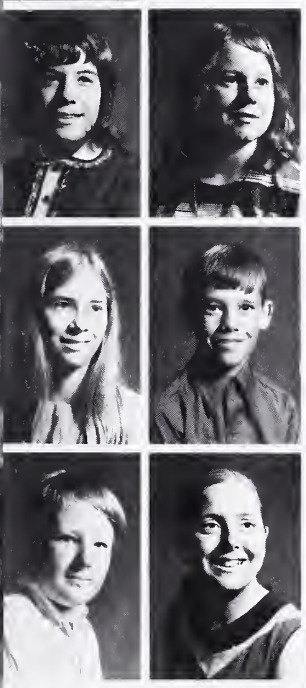
"Right now I think that I am at the age where I don't know who I am," stated Cindy Elmore. "A few years ago I would have said, "Well I'm me,' but that's not what I mean. I'm trying to decide what I'm going to do with my life . . . Sometimes when I do really good at something, like if I draw a map that turns out good, I would say, 'I'll be an artist.' Then I would spend my time painting and drawing, but later I would get bored with it and start looking for something else."

One of the most valuable qualities of childhood is the ability to conjure up great fantasies. Several seventh graders, on the brink of young adulthood, yet still clinging to their childhood dreams, glanced at the future. Pam Forrest wants to attend college and upon graduation she wants to teach mentally retarded children, while Thomas Moore once thought to be President of the United States. Lynn Vance responded, "I want to finish a little book I am writing . . . I think it is one most people would like." Cindy Elmore went on to say that her idea of life was living and not worrying. Perhaps she meant coping with one day at a time because she ended her thoughts by saying, "I have plenty of time."

James Hall
Everett Hogge
Barry Holloway
David Holloway
James Holloway

Paul Holloway
David Huffman
Sharon Huggett
Gene Hunt
JoAnna Inge

Greg Insley
Joseph Isley
Penny Insley
Karen Jackson
Becky Jerd



Cindy MacKay
Cindy Maraman
Charles Martin
Jane Martin
Timmy Martin
Susan McGee

VICKIE BAKER DAY-DREAMS
for a [illegible] as the teacher

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SHOPPING
AT

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FASHIONS FOR THE FAMILY

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WARWICK CENTER

Wendy McGee
DellAnn Melton
Tommy Messick

Harmon Miley
Earl Miller
Kathy Miller

Beverly Moore
Carol Moore
Francis Moore

Scott Morgan
James Mosher
Kathy Page

Drew Parham
Susan Pauls
Sharon Pearce

Seventh graders innocent victims for upperclassman.

Kathy Phillips
Duane Potts

Bobby Rohrback
Billy Rollins

Timmy Schott
Tom Sensiba
Scot Smith

Terry Smith
Carol Stanfeild
Debbie Stanfeild

Charles St. Clair
Jimmy Stewart
Jimmy Stoneburg

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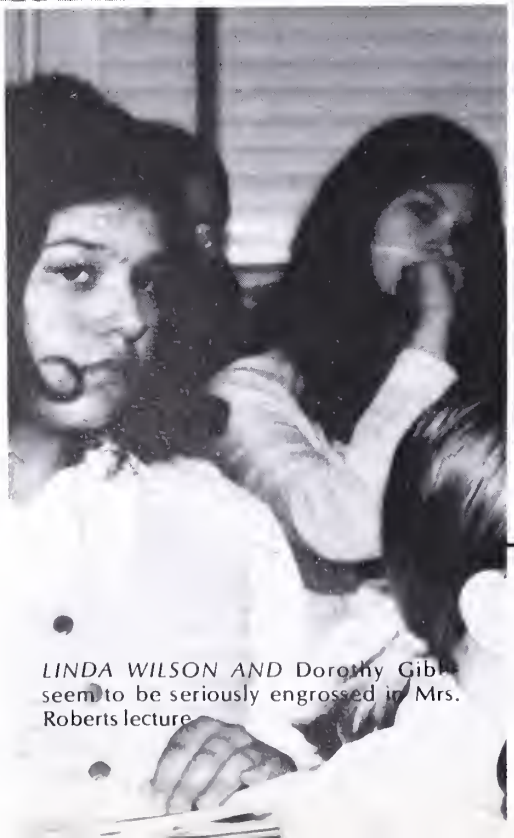
To the upperclassmen they were immature, noisy brats who were innocent victims for "upperclassman ridicule." The seventh graders got their recesses, and could only be in the old building of the high school. But they also got to change classes and gain the experience of having different teachers. David Blackstock thought the best thing about changing classes was you didn't have to listen to the same teacher all day. Seventh graders have formed their own opinions about high school. Butch Gorde says, "I think the twelveth graders are too big for their britches, going around cracking everyone on the head with those stupid rings." Gee Freeman found his biggest adjustment to be the sudden barrage of work, while the female upperclassmen seemed to enchant Coleman Walford. Another seventh grader felt report cards every 6 weeks is too much in some subjects and not enough in others. As they progressed, the young people began to understand high school tactics and yearned for the coming fall when they could be a "Rat."



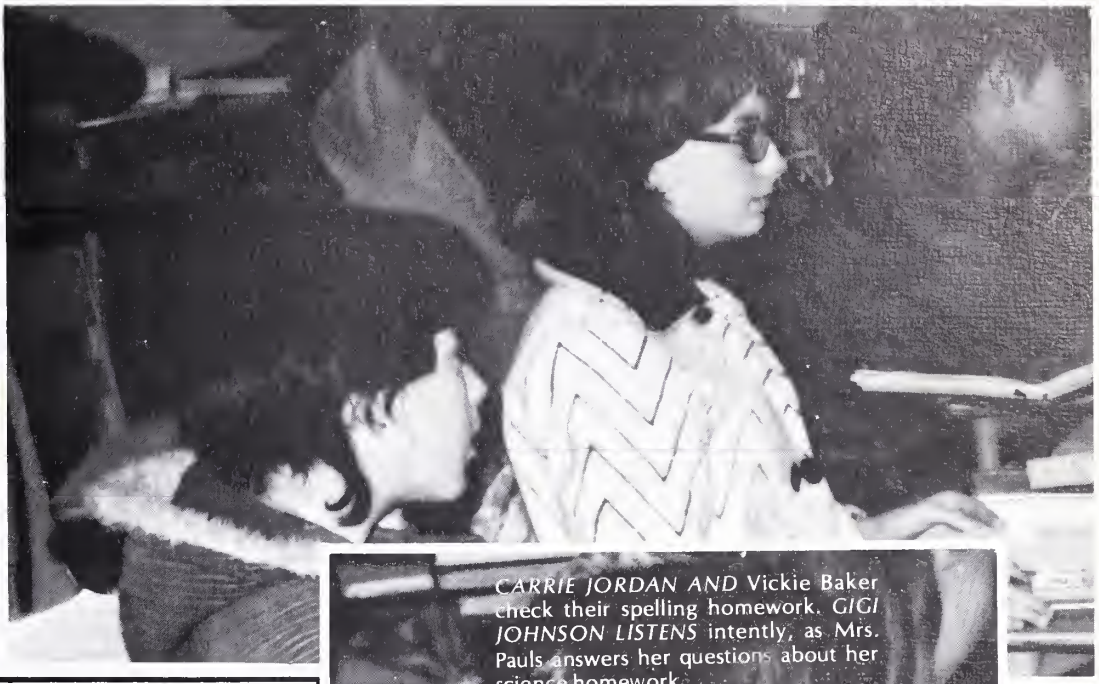
LINDA WILSON AND Dorothy Gibb seem to be seriously engrossed in Mrs. Roberts lecture.

Cathy Rollins
Laura Rollins

Paul Royston
Tommy Saunders

Roberts lecture.

Warren Swarenger
Debra Townsend
Larry Trantham
Lynn Vance
Cheryl Wainwright
Connie Ward



CARRIE JORDAN AND Vickie Baker check their spelling homework. *GIGI JOHNSON LISTENS* intently, as Mrs. Pauls answers her questions about her science homework.

Poquoson
Lion's Club

Congratulations
and
Best Wishes
to the
Senior Class of 1972

Keith Watkins
Connie West
James West
Sharlene West
Linda Wilson
Coleman Wolford
Randy Yokum
Bryan Zasimowich

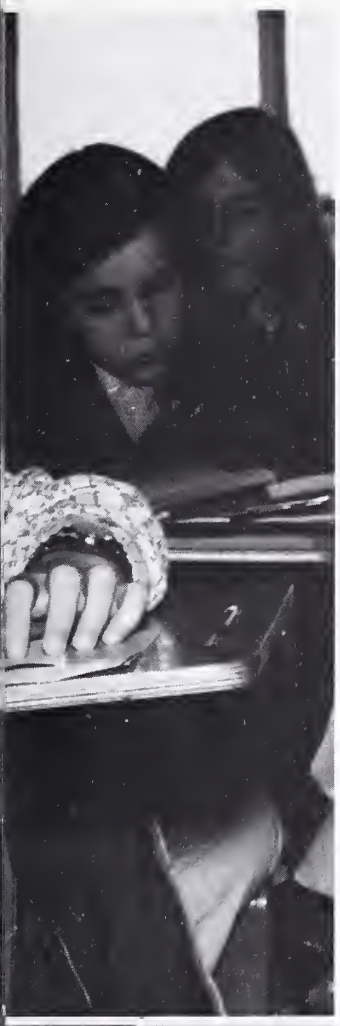
Patti Abdill
Cathy Adkins
Patricia Ashley
Wayne Austin

Bruce Ballard
Peter Bargeman
Rita Bishop
Cecil Blackwell

Beth Bradshaw
Eddie Brooks
Melanie Brown
Mark Bryan

SIXTH GRADERS GARY Voigtsberger, Cathy Adkins, and Jeanie Page hurry to complete their assignments before lunch break.

[illegible] and Barbara Evans [illegible] the end of another hard day. *TYLER McMILLEN AND* Lorie Morgan listen attentively as Mrs. Holzer explains plans for the day.



"You feel older than you would have in the elementary school."

The year began a new era in the lives of the members of the sixth grade class. It was a big step to the high school from the elementary school. One sixth grader who wished to remain anonymous said, " . . . and we are the first sixth grade class to be moved to the high school." For the youngest class, the first few days were undoutfully confusing as students and teachers were unsure of what they were doing. The high school students considered the sixth graders invaders, demolishing their high school image. The upperclassmen looked to the sixth grade class as degrading the maturity the high school kids had come to feel. Even though they were not associated with, or even wanted by the high school students, the sixth graders considered themselves one step closer to being older. Several sixth graders described this feeling very well: 'I really like high school because you feel older than you would have in the elementary school," said Cindy Wallace. Scott Regan had an entirely different idea about being at the high school, "Here there are no little punks running around the halls except the seventh graders."

The sixth graders did not come to the high school to demolish the image of the secondary school, but to become a part of that image. Due to overcrowding at the elementary school, they had no other choice than to join the high school community. They got to eat lunch first and they still got their recesses. How did the sixth graders feel about high school? An idea can be gotten from the following quotations: "I like high school better because they have hamburgers more often," said Brad Watkins. Jeanette Morse liked being able to sit where she wanted to in the cafeteria instead of assigned seats or tables.

The sixth graders were allowed to attend band in the band room this year, which helped to emphasize the fact that they were no longer beginners at everything. One day each week they were exempt from the customary newscast and attended music under the guidance of Mrs. Frances Ferguson. Jeanie Page commented that she liked being able to sing the popular songs such as "Spinning Wheel" that Mrs. Ferguson assigned them.

Laurie Bunting
Glenn Collins
Brad Crawford
Birdie Crockett
Bridget Cummings

Kevin Daily
Debbie Diggs
Debra Dodson
Donna Dodson
Steve Dunn

Tammy Edwards
Barbara Evans
Gloria Evans
Mike Evans
Tim Evans

Ann Forrest
Craig Forrest
Dana Forrest
Kenneth Forrest
Rusty Forrest

BONNIE McDANIEL, MARK Bryan, Barbara Evans, Ann Forrest, and Mike Evans listen and watch Mrs. Dixon explains their lesson.

The use of Gym and new Library created new problems and added more work for the sixth graders.

The use of the high school gym seemed to impress most of the sixth graders. In elementary school when it rained they had to stay in the classroom and play quiet games. With the use of the gym the sixth graders could take exercises, play crab soccer, basketball, and learn other new games. They had aides from the high school who taught them the proper ways to participate in these sports and how to use the equipment. "The only thing wrong with the gym is you can't wear shoes on it and you get runs in your hose." said Bonnie McDaniel.

Sixth graders also got to use the new high school library. They considered this another factor which made them feel more mature because the books in the library were harder to read, and were not written for first graders. Of course, there were disadvantages such as having to keep a dictionary handy to find the meanings of words and being unable to find an "easy" book to do their book reports on. The library had more encyclopedias from which to get information for their reports. "The library is very big and different. We can use textbooks without paying a rent," said Ken Forrest. Other advantages to using the high school library, in the eyes of another sixth grader, was that they could buy Certs, cough drops, mints, pens, and pencils. One sixth grader stated that he liked the way you could keep a book out longer.

Susan Frishkorn
William Gaus

Julie Gibson
Jody Goodman

Cindy Goodson
Steve Gordy

Melinda Haney
Karen Hipps

Jeff Hogge
Dennis Holland

PHYSICAL EDUCATION IS an integral part in the day of sixth grade students Sharon Pauls, Jeanie Roberts, Melody Spruill, and Laury Bunting.

Kevin Jordan
Vernie Krueger
James LaRue

Bonnie McDaniel
Bruce McGraw
David McKay

Tyler McMillen
James Manzie
Greg Martin

James Martin
Jay Martin
Meg Mathews

Roger Mayfield
Muriel Messick
Mack Moore

Jimmy Holland
Jamie Holloway
Karen Holloway

Kathy Holloway
Lester Holloway
Linda Holloway

Veronica Holloway
Nan Hopkins
Billy Hunt

Jack Hunt
John Hunt
Virginia Hunt

Sherry Ingram
Karen Insley
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Hampton, Va.
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We don't read anything but the funnies."

A new program was used in teaching the sixth graders. Jody Goodman described it to be a program in which a person could move at his own rate. Another new adjustment for the youngest class was the changing of classes four times instead of three. Kathie Holloway liked being able to take the entire class from one room to the next so she could still be with her friends.

At 12:30 p.m., every Monday through Friday, the sixth graders had newscasts. This gave the young people a chance to learn what was going on in their community, state, and around the world. "The teachers know we don't read anything but the funnies," replied Karen Shaw.

Other advantages the sixth grade experienced during their first year in high school were being able to chew gum in some classes, going to the auditorium to see plays the high school students put on, and enjoying the atmosphere of "high school life." "There is more freedom," stated Tim Webb. Another sixth grader giving his name only as Cecil, summed his feelings of high school life in one word, "Groovy."

Mark Moore
Lorie Morgan
Regina Morgan
Susan Morgan

Jeanette Morse
Raymond Murdock
Robert Owens
Jeanie Page

Sarah Page
Sharon Paul
Bonnie Pauley
Eugene Pierce

Lynn Potts
Alice Quinn
Scott Regan
Robert Rollins

Karen Shaw
John Sincoskie
Gary Snider

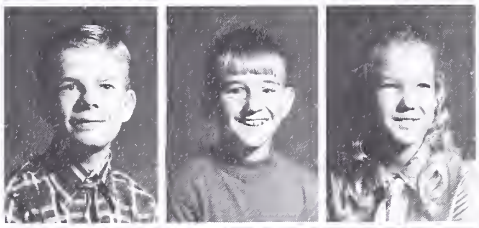
Melody Spruill
Pam Stoneberg
Frances Thomas

Ricky Thomas
Ralph Tudor
Gary Voigtsberger

STEVIE DUNN, DIANE Wright, Tyler McMillen, Herbert Wright, Craig Forrest, Roger Mayfield, and Mark Bryan wait anxiously for the final bell.

Ye Old Country Store

Cindy Wallace
Brad Watkins
Susan Watkins



Tim Webb
Brian West
Tammy West

Donna Whellis
Randy Williamson
Michelle Wilson

Jimmy Wornom
Dianne Wright
Herbert Wright

ADMINISTRATION

The members of the Administration formed the backbone of the school and its functions. Their main duties were to keep order and balance within the school. Through their functions, the Administration appropriated the necessary funds for the upkeep of the school, decided the dates on the calendar that school would open and close, took care of the educational materials, kept the students safe and disciplined. These were the many hidden, but necessary, functions needed to maintain the school routine smoothly.

Throughout the year, the Administration did their best to make some necessary changes and to adjust to those already in action. One of

the problems the Administration had to deal with was small acts of vandalism. This might have included writing on the walls in the halls or the bathrooms. This resulted in somewhat tighter discipline rules and regulations. Another problem was their realization that the school curriculum did not suit the needs of the majority of the students. Most members of the Administration agreed that more emphasis should have been placed on vocational classes. This was a change that would have to be planned for in the future. There were many more problems during the course of the year. Solving these problems was the constant job of the members of the Administration.

MR. CARMINES AND wife, Judy, finally get to enjoy a moment of relaxation while the children are asleep. *MR. CARMINES, CAUGHT* in a familiar position by the photographer, thinks before answering Jeannie Louquet's questions.

DESCRIBE THE PERFECT CLASSROOM SITUATION.
I guess the perfect classroom situation would consist of students being able to enter classrooms without having any fear of the teacher; without having to have a fear and yet having some sort of mutual respect. Being happy to go into a classroom and being excited about it and looking forward to going into a classroom and knowing that when you go in there, you want to go to do something that is worthwhile and relevant. It isn't a matter of just enjoying to go into a classroom, I guess. Respect for the teacher and for the teacher to respect students would run parallel with the disciplinary problem and cut it to a minimum.

WHAT CHANGE WOULD YOU MAKE IN THE HIGH SCHOOL, IF YOU COULD?
I think if I had to make one big change in this high school, it would be to see us shift to a larger area of vocational instruction. That is where students would have more opportunity to work in shop, drafting and that would mean having a bigger shop with more machines. Shop, drafting, and possibly an automotive shop is something that is needed. We put a lot of emphasis on graduates going to college. I think there is a big need here especially in this town, for graduates that are not going to college because there are not really that many of them today really in the end result going and finishing a college education. So where does that leave us when we try to educate people that aren't going? I think if I had to change one thing in Poquoson it would be to see that the student not going to college was educated with vocational courses.

WHAT IS THE FUNNIEST THING THAT HAS HAPPENED TO YOU THIS YEAR?
A lot of funny things happen. I think some of the heating situations are funny. So funny that it would make you cry. When you come down on Sunday night and you get all the heat working and you put everything together and stay for a couple of hours to be sure that everything is going and then come back on Monday morning and it is all off. That is funny. Especially when you spent so many times working on it. That has to be it. The only thing I can say is that it will make you cry. That you don't know what to do. You have done everything and you call the man and he comes and looks at you and he is laughing too. He thinks it's funny too. When you can't get it to work and you have done everything and replaced everything. I don't know; I think the heating situation is the funniest thing I have been involved with.

WHAT IS THE DUMBEST THING THAT HAS HAPPENED TO YOU THIS YEAR?
So many of them happen it is hard to pick out just which one. I don't know. Your principal is always doing some sort of dumb thing. Leaving your keys home so nobody can get in because you are the only one that has the keys. That has happened. Once. When you don't have any keys you are lost around here. You must have around 6,000 keys.

WHAT IS THE BEST THING THAT HAS HAPPENED TO YOU?
The best thing that has happened so far is that we have been able to get into evaluation programs because I know that it means a lot to the school and the town to have the school credited by a certain association. This is a big thing. It is good and the best thing. A lot of times the whole faculty wasn't working completely together.

WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER TO BE THE MAJOR PROBLEM OF P.H.S.?
I don't know — I think one of our biggest problems is the fact that we are small. We can't offer all the things that we should offer but I say also that a lot of things we offer wouldn't be offered at a larger school. I have seen so many problems in so many big schools and I have seen so many good things at P. H. S. If you talk about physical things, the fact that we don't have covered walkways for students to go to P. E. and to the cafeteria. The fact that the heat doesn't work all the time. We always have to have an affair with heat, and the things that in a larger school people might do for you, but in a smaller school you have to do for yourself — which, in a way, you learn more. I think one problem we are getting to have is small acts of vandalism, where people will go into the bathrooms and write on the walls and punch holes in the side of the walls. These are small problems but they cost a lot of money.

DO YOU FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS IDENTIFYING WITH THE STUDENTS?
I don't feel like I have any problems identifying with the students because I haven't been that long being a student. I haven't missed a year and I feel like I can remember what it's like to be a student. I don't feel that I am so far above the students that I can't listen to them. I feel like the only problem a person has with identifying with a student is forgetting what it's like to be a student. Then you can't identify any longer and when you can't identify with the students, you have a problem. The big thing about being a principal at P.H.S. is that you have to do everything yourself. A lot of people pay principals a lot more at bigger high schools and they pay them on the basis of what they do and what they have to do. That is a big joke, because the smaller the high school, the more you have to do things for yourself. You have more responsibility for more students at bigger schools, but here at P. H. S., I am involved with so many more things than I would be if I was in a larger school. In a larger school, I wouldn't be involved with working with the heat; to know how it works. You just learn all kinds of things working in a small school. You learn aspects of the school from curricular activities. You just learn about everything, whereas in another school you wouldn't. It's really an advantage to be a principal of a small high school. I would say without any reservation, I would rather be a principal of a small school like P. H. S. than any large school I have been associated with that I can think of. It's a real challenge to have so many different things to be able to do and to work with or say that you do everything right, but at least you have the opportunity to work on things you find your own limitations, whereas in a larger school you work strictly with just disciplinary problems or with curriculum or extra-curricular activities. You don't get the idea of what the whole school is like. I feel a principal should get involved in everything. PHS is a great small high school.

Educational evaluation committee to improve instructional program formed under Carmines' guidance

Beyond his many duties as principal, Mr. Carmines saw the faces of students acquiring knowledge of their world. He did his best to contribute to the educational fulfillment of the student body.

An educational evaluation committee was formed under the guidance of Mr. Carmines in an effort to constructively criticize teachers and the instructional program within the school. Not only were experts in education consulted, but teachers and students themselves had a chance to comment on the educational system.

Mr. Carmines' participation in this program, plus many others like it, contributed to the advancement of our school to a more modern institution of learning.

"I respect Mr. Carmines because look what he has to put up with and he does a good job!"

— Brenda Forrest

GETTING READY TO call homerooms to the assembly, Mr. Carmines pushes the "talk" switch. *"EVEN I CAN* come up with a better excuse than that," replies Mr. Carmines as he refuses to dismiss school early. Mr. Carmines and son, Jeff discuss a minor problem at the dinner table. *ONE OF MR.* Carmines minor duties is to constantly check the furnace during the winter months. *A TYPICAL SCENE* at home finds Mr. Carmines in his favorite chair reading the sports page.

"School board is more cooperative than any other board...anywhere."

The School Board, consisting of three members, Harvey Herring, Charles Sibbers, and chairman, John Hunt III, met monthly at the Municipal Building. Approving budgets and mapping plans for the future of Poquoson Schools were among the many duties performed by this group of men. Herbert Spain, clerk, took the minutes of the School Board meetings. Minutes of these meetings became the official record.

Mr. Carmines, acting as mediator between the students and the School Board, and Superintendent George Pope and Assistant Superintendent Donald Bruno, was pleased with the cooperation he received from the board. "This school board is more cooperative than any other school board — anywhere," comments Carmines. Mrs. Colleen Dryden continued her work as School Board secretary.

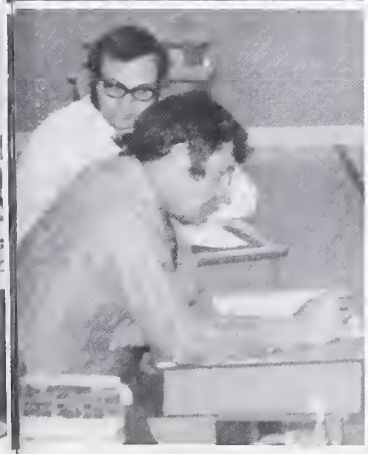
SUPERINTENDENT POPE RELAXES from his duties to chat with a student. *MRS. COLLEEN DRYDEN* and Assistant Superintendent Bruno work on plans for next year's school budget. *SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS* Charles Sibbers, John Hunt III, Harvey Herring and chairman Herbert Spain consider raises in the teacher salaries.

COACHES ROBERTS, KIMSEY and Fay smile on an improved football team as head coach, Mr. Evans looks on with approval. *MR. EVANS MARKS* the fifty yard line in preparation for an upcoming football game. *MR. EVANS TACKLES* a pile of paperwork for the athletic department. *MR. MILLER AND* Mr. Evans work to improve the student activities program as part of the Educational Evaluation Committee. *MR. EVANS DISCUSSES* a disciplinarian problem with the concerned parent of a student.

Lack of student morale affects the assistant principal in dual post

Olen Evans, assistant principal and athletic director, served his dual role with a remarkable capacity for dealing with student problems. His main concern was lack of student morale. This problem was not only shown at athletic events, but also in discipline problems within the school. The new addition to the school, completed only last year, is already showing signs of wear and tear due to student negligence and vandalism. Mr. Evans believes "a student body united in an effort to express pride in their school would decrease discipline problems and increase moral support for the athletes."

Conflict with his two jobs was also a concern with Evans. He found a challenge in trying to deal with all students equally. "I try to treat everybody the same way, and matter of fact, the only thing that bothers me is the fact that the athletes are probably treated a little bit harder than the other students because of the main reason that it has been pushed to everybody that the athletes get by with murder and all this kind of stuff. This is the one thing we go out of our way to do. As a matter of fact, we punish the athletes on the field after being punished here at school, and it's pretty tough to do that."



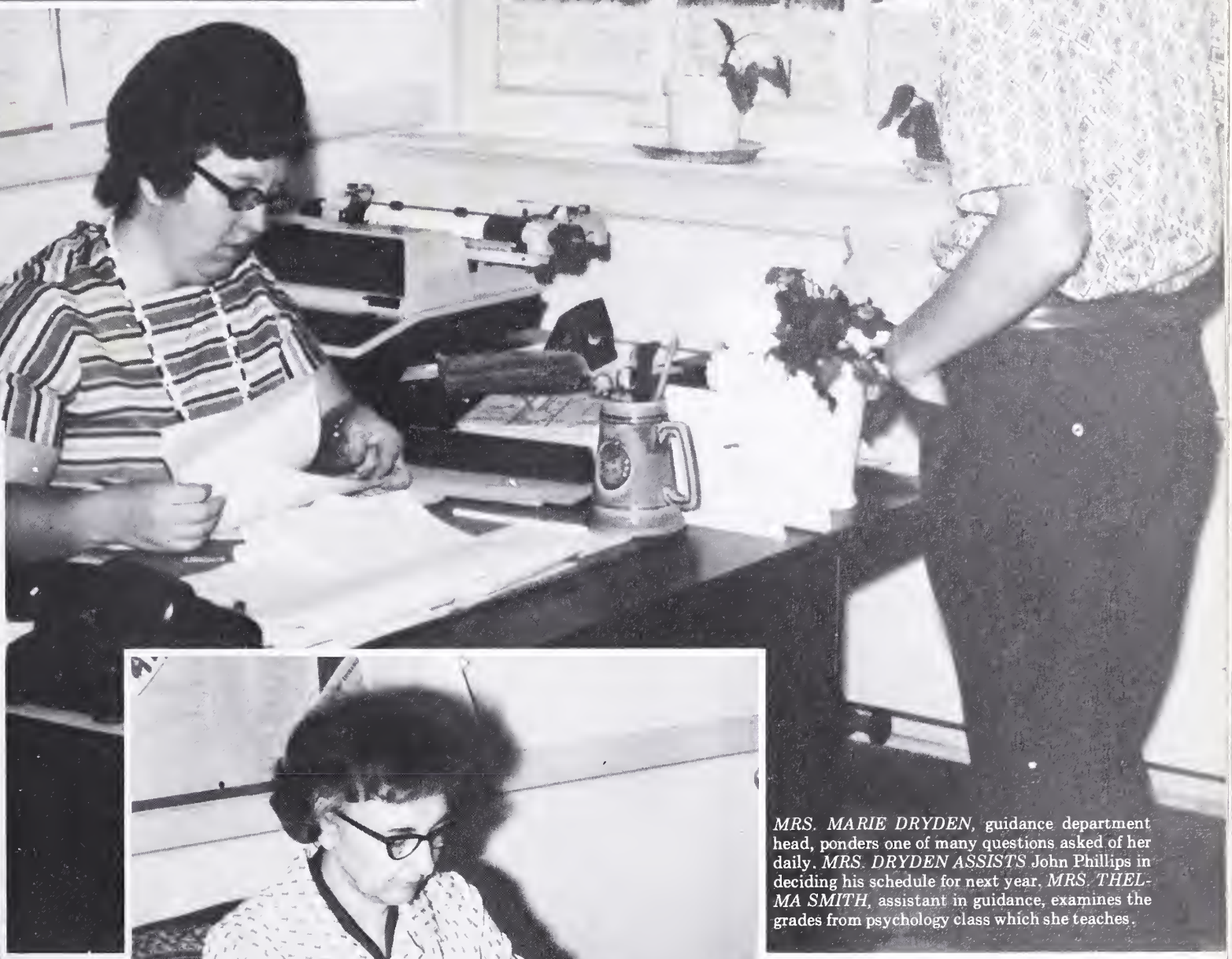
Secretaries solve many student problems as the guidance counselors aid undergraduate planning

Busy was the word which best described the long school days for secretaries, Mrs. Cora Everhart and Miss Rose White. Mrs. Everhart and Miss White managed to successfully solve many problems — no matter how complex or seemingly insurmountable. Faced daily with mounds of bookkeeping, records, and numerous other tasks, these two people were always willing to aid those in need.

The Guidance Department provided an opportunity for students to plan for the future as well as enabling teachers to better understand the obstacles faced by students. Mrs. Marie Dryden, assisted by Mrs. Thelma Smith, dedicated their time and efforts to bettering the curriculum for the benefit of all students, whatever their goal after graduation.

Student office aides rendered their services to the secretarial and guidance departments whenever and wherever they could. Collecting absentee cards, typing, and running endless errands were only a part of what these people accomplished. Von Himelright says, "I enjoy being an office aide. I get to watch everybody come in and out and Mrs. Smith treats me real nice. She bought me a Christmas present."

ROSE WHITE SMILES at a student's joke while she files the mail in the teachers' boxes. *OFFICE AIDES GARY* Hopkins, Bubba Jones, Cindy Wyatt, Grayson Bunting, Fimiah Diggs, Jerry Wilson, Paulette Benton, Pam White, Bobby Wood, Steve Thorne and Voon Himelright wait patiently to be dispatched on an errand while Rose White chats on the phone. *MRS. EVERHART INFORMS* Mr. Carmines of the state of the school funds.



MRS. MARIE DRYDEN, guidance department head, ponders one of many questions asked of her daily. *MRS. DRYDEN ASSISTS* John Phillips in deciding his schedule for next year. *MRS. THELMA SMITH,* assistant in guidance, examines the grades from psychology class which she teaches.

CLINIC AIDES CINDY Spruill, Sue Williamson, Ellen Moore, and Fimiah Diggs listen intently to Nurse Carol Smith's instructions on caring for clinic patients. *MRS. PAGE, CAFETERIA* manager, stands behind cafeteria workers Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Holloway, and Mrs. Hopkins as another hot meal is ready for distribution. *MARY HOGGE SERVES* as head custodian for both high school and elementary school. *MARIE FIRTH AND* Murtis Shackleford relax for a moment before continuing their daily cleaning routine of the old buuilding.

School personnel strive to maintain standards

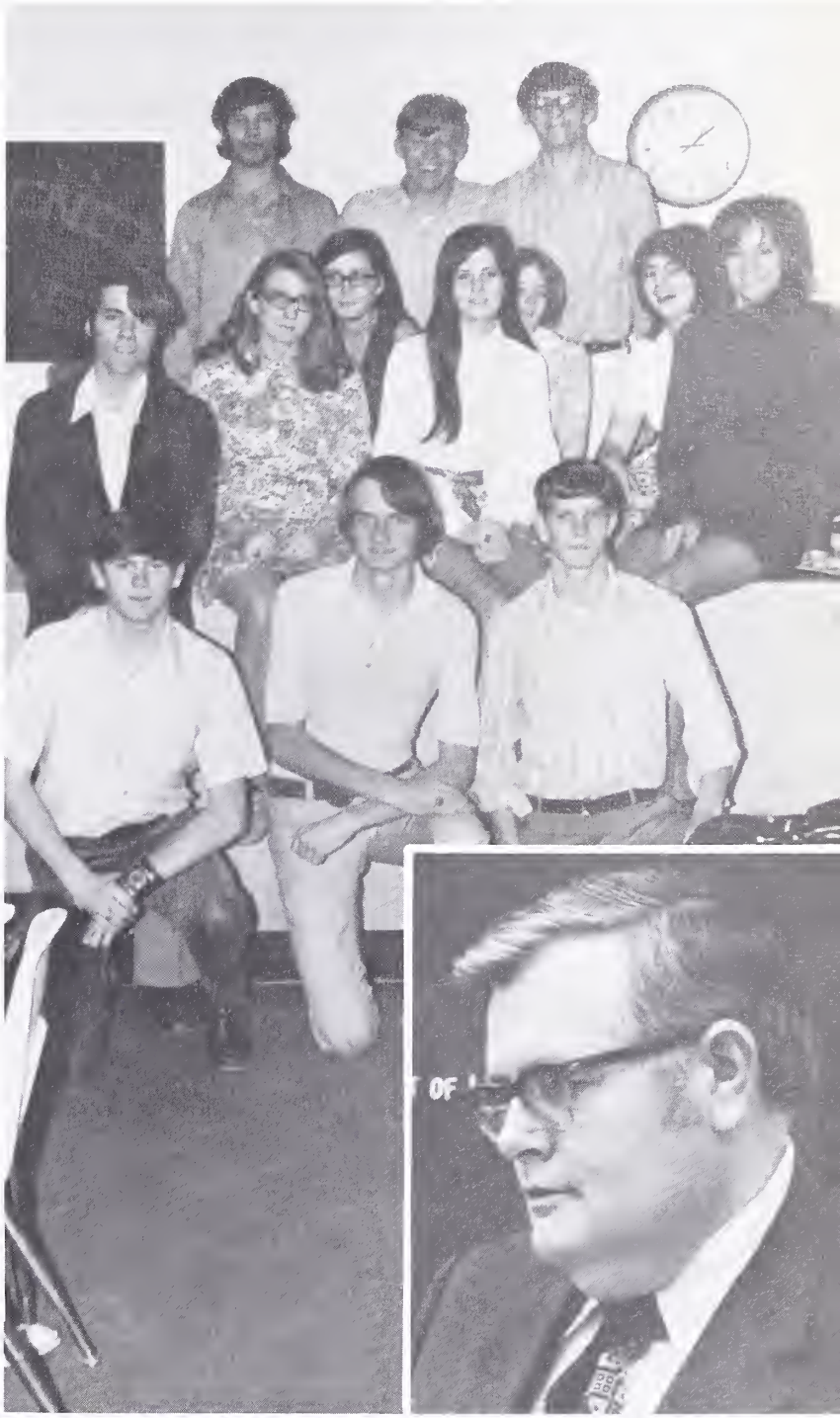
Although their services were sometimes abused, the bus drivers, service personnel, librarian, and school nurse worked diligently to enhance the school.

The students were brought to school in the morning and delivered back home in the afternoon by bus drivers. During school hours, the library was open to students at Mr. Deufel's convenience. Mrs. Smith served as school nurse to both the high school and the elementary school. She worked at the elementary school in the morning and at the high school in the afternoon, so if a student got sick in the morning, he was out of luck.

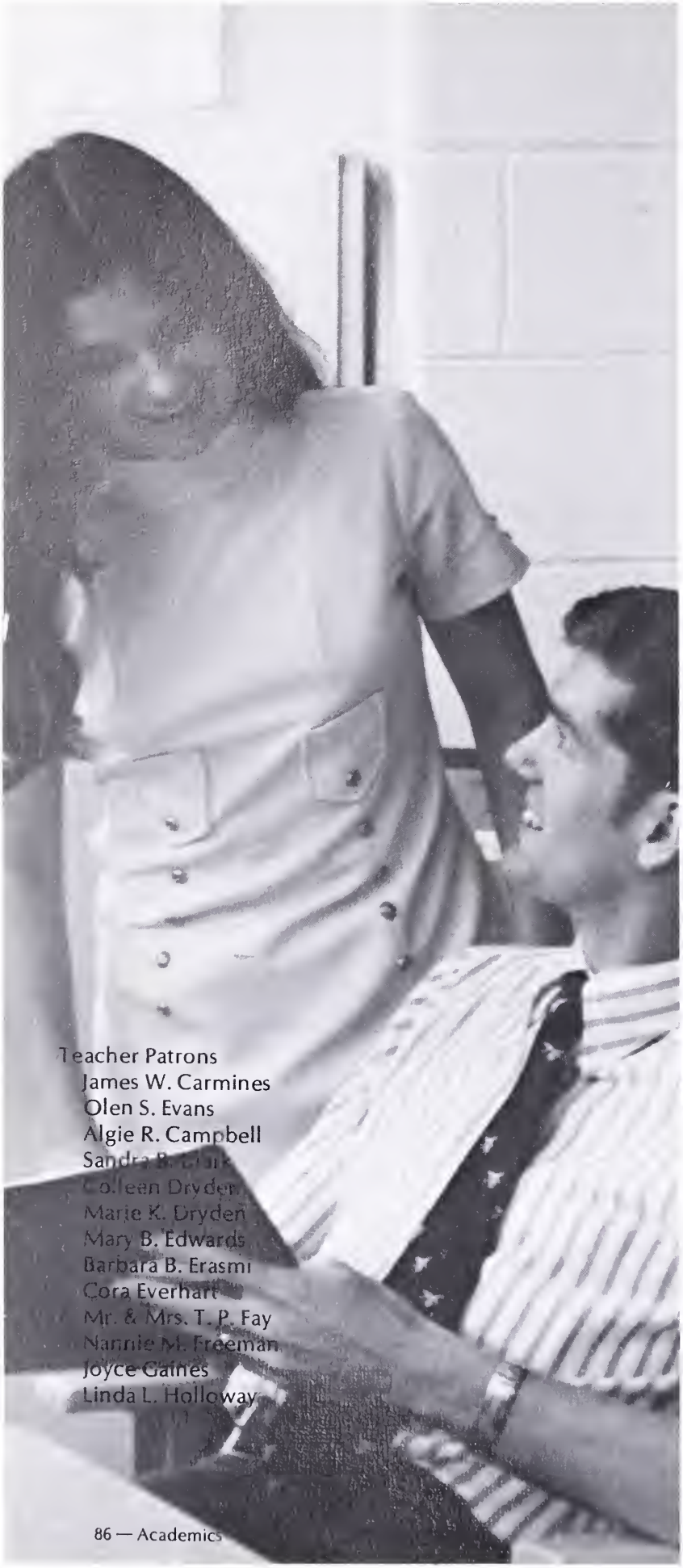
In the afternoon, after all the students had gone home, a handful of dedicated workers cleaned the schoolrooms and halls. The service personnel spent many hours working late into the night in an effort to make the school a cleaner environment in which to learn.

Marie Firth says, "My biggest problem is students who use the brooms and don't replace them. Other than that, I have a lot of fun cleaning the school."

"It's a lot of hard work, being a library aide. Mr. Deufel keeps you busy," comments Dotty Martin.



LIBRARY AIDES HOMER Ketterman, Terry Daniels, Kenneth Wright, Bobby Rollins, Janet Ballard, Nancy Freeman, Becky Smith, Wanda Thomas, Dottie Martin, Pam White, Chris Chrisman, Garry Bunting and Ty Cobb pause from their duties of filing books and keeping the library in order for a picture. *MR. DEUFEL SEARCHES* for a book in order to help a student complete a project. *MARY FERGUSON, EDNA* Kyle, Rosa Gaus, Rose Pauls, Georgia McDaniels (First Row), Sandra Martin, Patsy Thorne, Nannie Firman, Mary Firth, Ruth Wilson, Madge Bunting (Second Row), Helen Holloway, Rose Parham, and Bea Shriver (Third Row) wait outside the school for the afternoon rush to the busses.



Teacher Patrons
James W. Carmines
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Joyce Gaines
Linda L. Holloway

ACADEMICS

Schools have been maintained for academic, as well as social, development. Through the involvement of the teachers and the students, it was hoped that learning would take place. The biggest adjustment for both was the new addition of the school and having all the necessary equipment to properly carry on classes. Through new innovations, learning was not commonplace because of old-fashioned methods. Also, with the addition of the 6th and 7th grades, the faculty was greatly

enlarged with more varied opinions and ideas.

There were some problems along with the good things. The best facilities were still not available to all teachers, especially those left in the old building. Many had to cope with the upcoming 8th graders who were used to working on their own in a progressive type of program. On the world, learning did take place in most cases through the cooperation of both teachers and students.

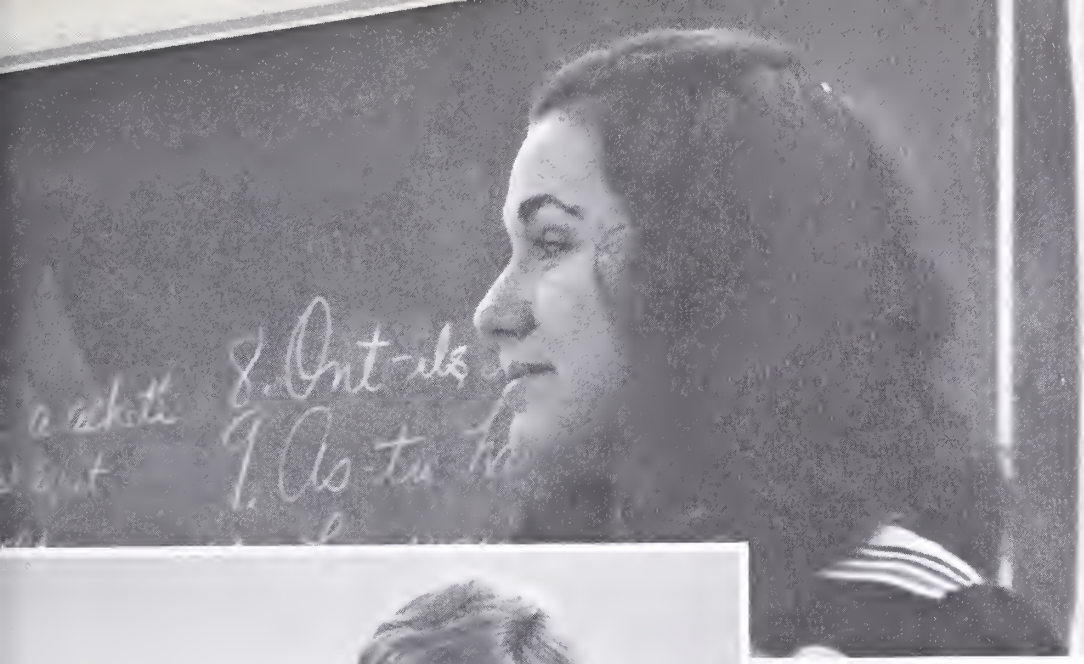
Fine Arts Dept. produces with limited talent

MR. MILLER DIRECTS the band during the Christmas concert. *MRS. CLARK CORRECTS* copy as a part of her duties as advisor to the annual staff. *MRS. FERGUSON CONDUCTS* an a cappella selection during the Christmas performance.

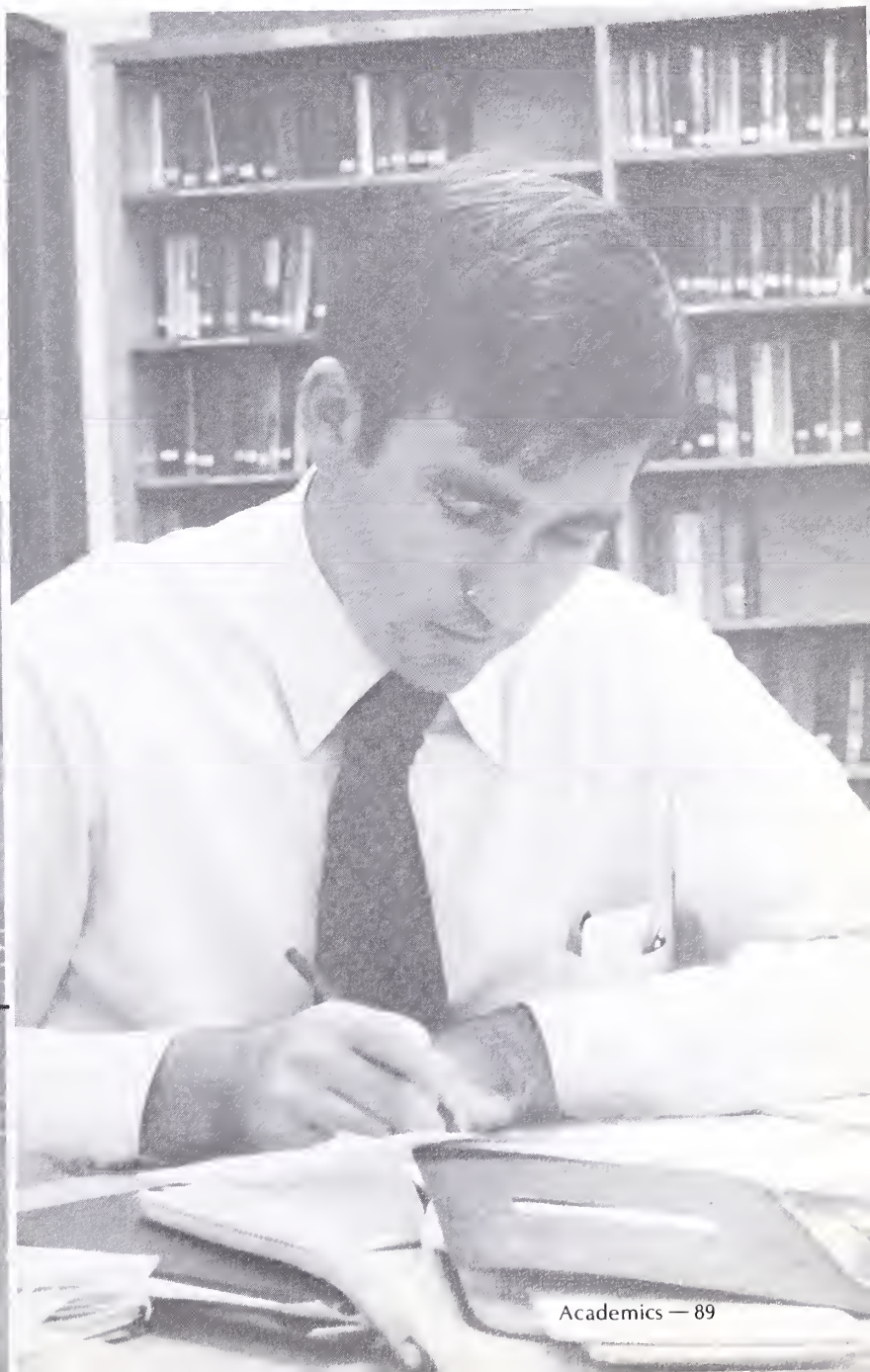
Mr. Miller, Mrs. Ferguson, and Mrs. Clark combined their efforts to provide a constructive outlet for student creativity. Mrs. Ferguson had the hard job trying to incorporate individuals into a good singing group. Sandy Murdock considers chorus her favorite subject because, "I like it and everybody has fun." Chorus is also Barbara Moore's favorite, "because we sing a lot of cool songs." The art department, headed by Mrs. Clark, was one of the most different in the school. Mary Beth Frishkorn likes are, "because we do so many really neat things in there. While you are working you enjoy it too!" Thomas Moore thinks art is great, why? Because, "Mrs. Clark, she is pretty and nice!" Tim Manning's favorite teacher is "Mr. Miller, he's a real neat guy." Joel Leeper considers band his favorite because "I never fail to get an "A"."

Mr. Bill Roberts, although inexperienced as an advisor, helped the drama department produce a wide variety of plays. Lynne Freeman summed up his year, "Mr. Roberts learned a lot about drama productions this year. The big thing he discovered was to carry a stage crew to the one-act play festival in the future."

Mr. Fay and Miss Jordan assisted pupils in acquiring linguistic and grammatical skills of Spanish and French speaking peoples. Becky Phillips considers Miss Jordan her favorite teacher. Becky says of Miss Jordan, " . . . she kids around with her classes and can make learning fun." Mr. Fay is Donna Evans favorite teacher, because in the ninth grade he became my "adopted" pretend parent and I've admired him ever since."



MISS JORDAN PAUSES to collect her thoughts in answer to a student's question. *AS A TEACHER* of both English and Spanish, Mr. Fay is swamped with the endless task of grading papers. *MR. ROBERTS GLANCES* up at the camera while Kathy Kruger struggles with an English paper.



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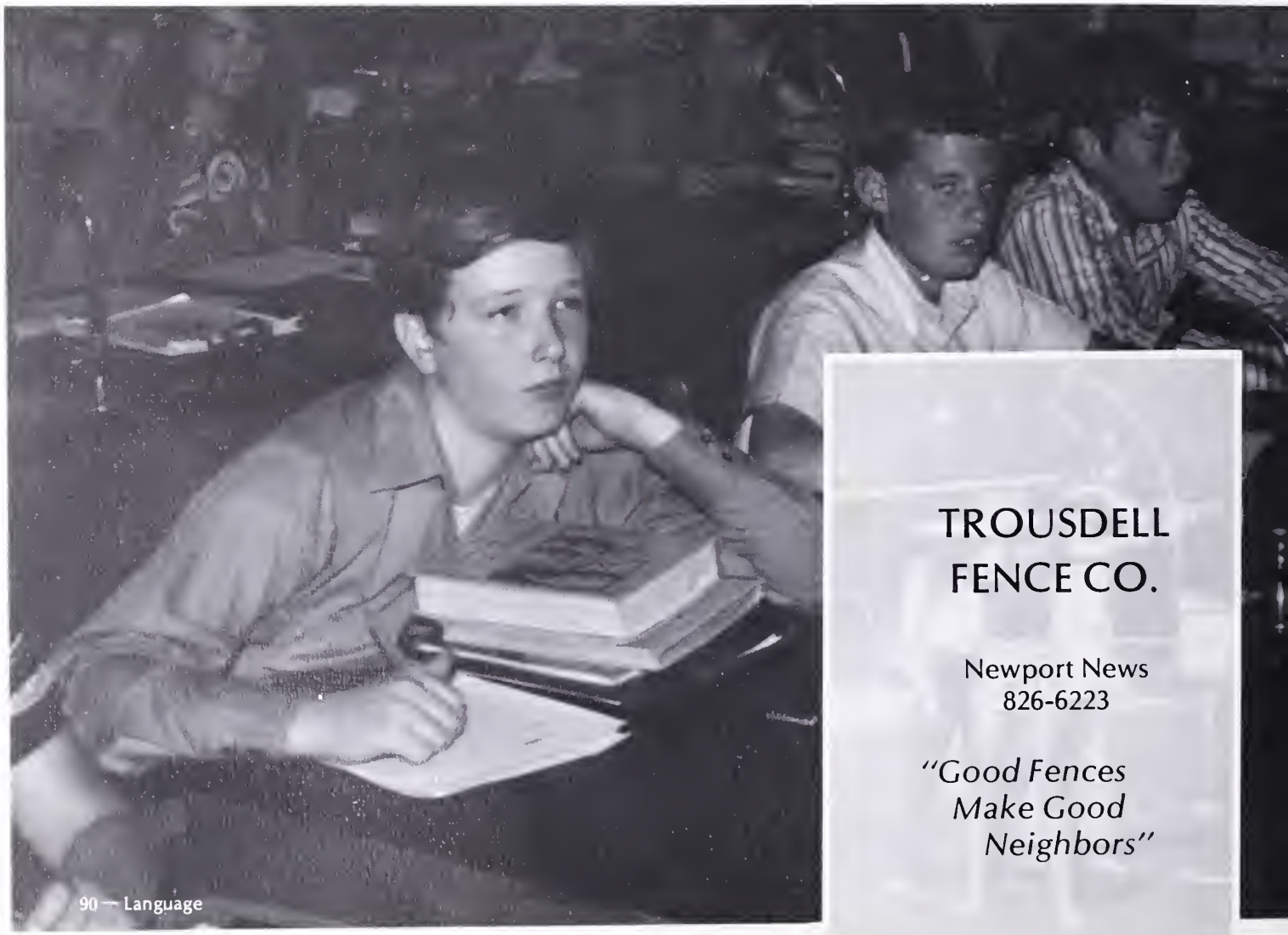
Teachers attempt to stimulate a renewed interest in English

MRS. PAULS PREPARES to give her students a pop quiz. *MRS. McCLUNG SMILES* bravely before entering her English classroom. *MRS. NORTHAM PATIENTLY* waits for a student to volunteer an answer. *JACKIE AMMONS, JIMMY* Stewart, and Advid Holloway concentrate on the day's studies.



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The language department faced many problems, one of the main problems being the fact that the English students were bored. English is a mandatory course through five years of school. Many pupils felt they knew all they needed to know about English. The teachers were constantly looking for new projects to stimulate students toward a new attitude in English. An anonymous student commented, "I like Mrs. Erasmi because she understands young people and works with you and your problems."

With the addition of the sixth and seventh graders to the high school, problems within the language department grew. Seventh graders rising to high school level found they had to adjust from independent study programs to a classroom situation. "I had trouble sitting still for so long." Anonymous.

Teachers found by combining English grammar and literature, they made our language more interesting. Students found themselves writing themes, term papers and book reports on different aspects of English and American literature. "Mrs. Paulson is my favorite teacher because she's cool." Anonymous.

MRS. PAULSON CONSIDERS an amusing statement made by a sophomore English student. *MRS. SIBBERS DISTRIBUTES* a Christmas gift to Butch Gordy during the class gift exchange. *MRS. ERASMI RECRUITS* Tom Blackstock and Ilard Boyd to run in the S.C.A. elections. *WITH A DISTINCT* look of relief, Mrs. Holzer watches her class depart for music class.

Math is an essential element in the world of technology and computers.

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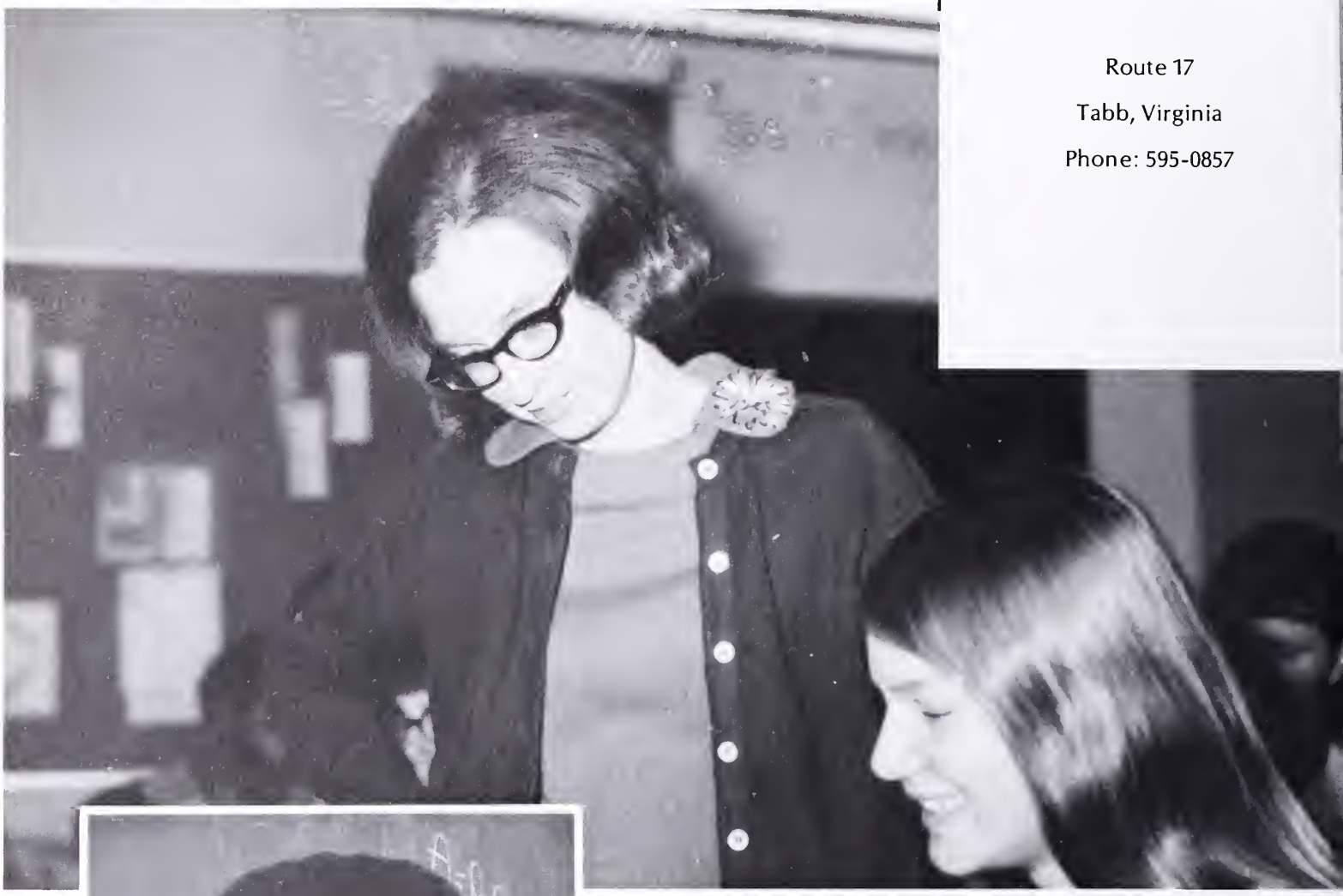
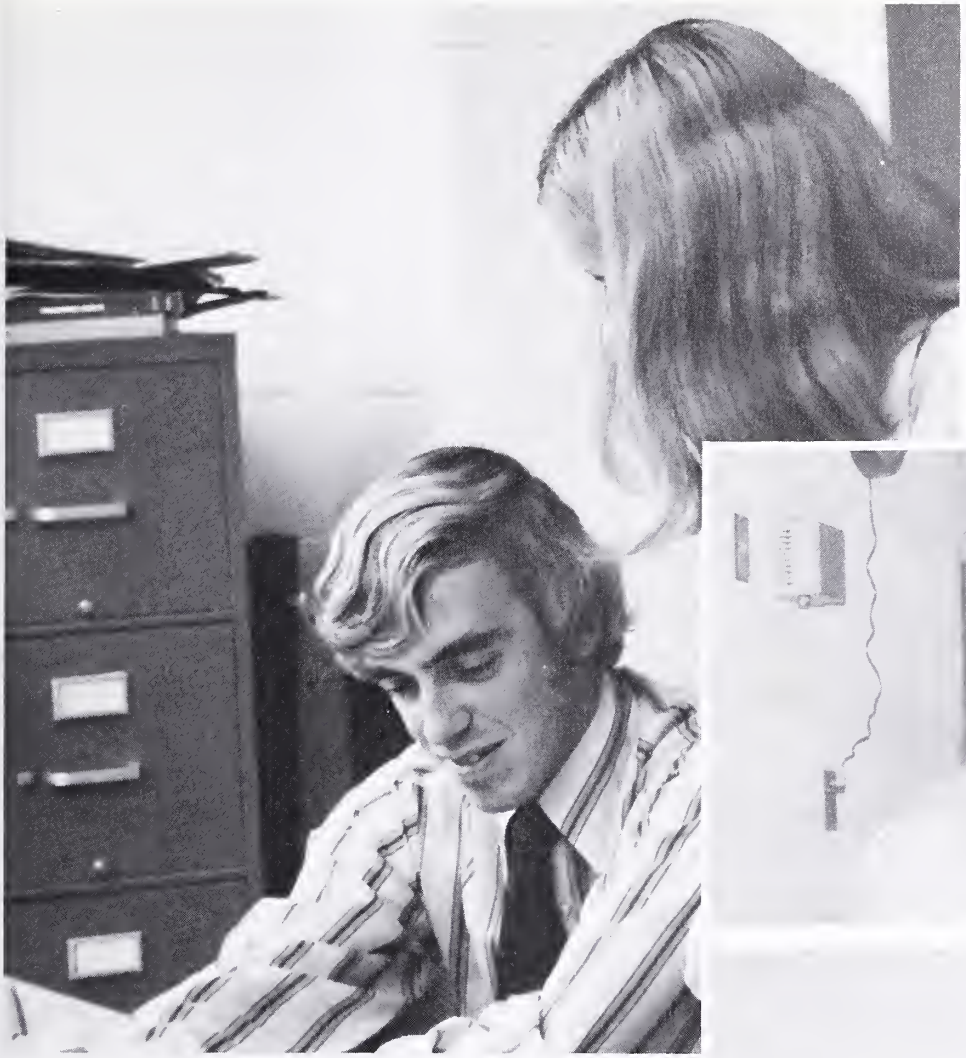


MRS. PIGGOTT EXPLAINS the steps in finding the solution to a difficult math problem for Brenda Carmines. *MRS. HARRELL LOOKS* up while attacking a stack of unchecked papers. *MRS. PERRY GIVES* a stamp of approval as a student finds a correct answer.



MR. QUINN EXPLAINS a math problem to Sherry Ferguson while she listens intently. *MRS. ROBERTS WORKS* with Lynn Vance on a homework assignment.

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In this world based on technology and computers, mathematics is an essential element in the educational process. The math department, under the supervision of department head, Mrs. Juanita Piggott, aimed to instill within the inquisitive minds of students the basics necessary to serve themselves in this complicated world. Others engaged in this facet of teaching included Miss Harrell, Mrs. Perry, Mr. Keimer, Mr. Quinn, and Miss Roberts. Under their able instruction, students prepared to meet the challenges which they will inevitably undertake in future job situations.

"I respect Mr. Quinn. He is a good teacher and he explains the stuff to you." — Bruce Owens

"I like Mr. Kiemer's class because Algebra is not one of my favorite subjects, but he makes it fun and interesting." — Doug Sikora

"My favorite class is math because when I get to math I know I've finished my science class." — Shirley Wallace

MR. KEIMER ANSWERS a student's question in one of his three science classes. *MRS. GAINES HELPS* Dave Gardy discover the answer to one of his science questions. *SIXTH GRADE TEACHER,* Mr. Nixon, thinks about his lesson plans before another busy day.

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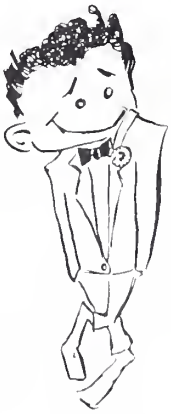

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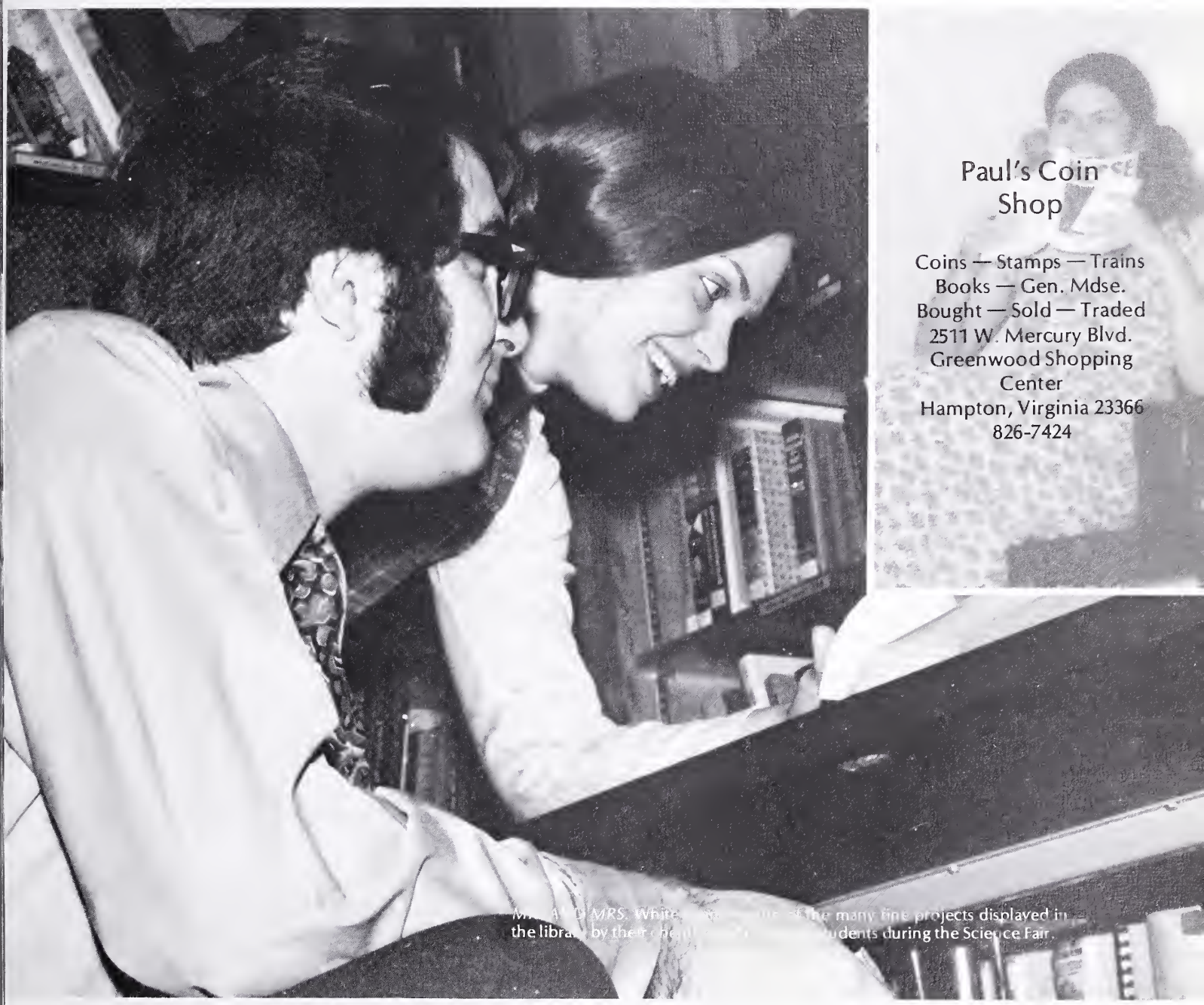
Mastermind discoveries are relayed to students for daily application.

The Science Department took the discoveries of masterminds such as Einstein and relayed them to students in a form they could use in everyday life. Future chemists and biologists spent many hours in preparations for the science fair, with the assistance of Mrs. Gaines, Mr. Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. White, and Mr. Keimer. Each day in the scientific courses prepared students with basic knowledge of their environment and its composition.

"I like science because you get to dissect animals." — Susan Arnett

"Mr. and Mrs. White command respect by allowing a little leeway for the student."

— Danny Oprisko



MR. AND MRS. White [illegible] the many fine projects displayed in the library by their [illegible] students during the Science Fair.

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MRS. EDWARDS SEWS a zipper into a dress in order to use it as an illustration during one of her classes. *MR. ELLIOTT EXPRESSES* his opinions to Mr. Carmines during an informal talk with him. *MR. CAMPBELL, DOUBLING* as yearbook advisor, studies a layout of the football pages for an upcoming deadline.

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Vocational department adjusts to employment opportunity changes.

Suddenly the trend in employment changed. No longer were firms looking for college graduates, but for skilled workmen and women. The instructors of secretarial and industrial skills and home economics adjusted the student to leave high school and be ready for a job requiring their particular skill.

"I like shop because you're not pushing a pencil all the time." — Gerald Teague

MRS. FREEMAN WAITS as her shorthand students get ready for timed transcription. *MISS HOLLOWAY SEARCHES* for a business book which might aid her in teaching her business students. *BRENDA PERDUE, THERESA* Forrest and Fimiah Diggs work diligently during Office Practice class.

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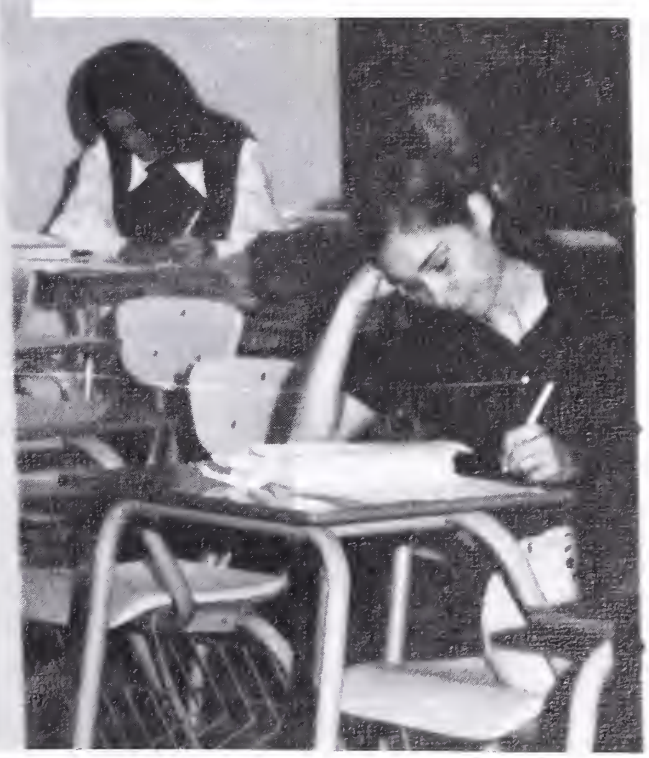

Social Studies instills an understanding of the world, past and present

The Social Studies department contributed to the student realizing the situation of our present world and helped them accept the turmoil of war. While Miss Keech taught the fundamentals of American Government, the other members of the Social Studies department showed students the past of our country and world in the field of history. A student learned how to use the mistakes of others to benefit their present and future of American and the world.

"Mr. Paulson is my favorite teacher. He tries hard to get along with us students, and I think he does a good job." — Carol Parham

"My favorite class is Government. We learn what is happening around us and try to get an understanding of the world." — Donna Inge

"History class is not boring, it is fun and that way I can learn better." — David Bishop

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MISS KEECH STRESSES the importance of the Nixon court to her American Government class. *MR. PAULSON POINTS* out the association between national, state, and local governments during a junior history class. *MR. AND MRS.* Stallings show how typical teachers spend their free hour.

The Physical Education department instilled each student with a sense of fair play and leadership and helped them reach for a goal of physical fitness. Although basketball was the favorite sport of many students, Mrs. Potts, Mr. Wallace and Mr. Kimsey acquainted them with the fundamentals of many other sports.

Every student had a chance to participate as a squad leader. This gave each a chance to serve as a leader. All profited from their victories and learned to accept their losses. The sophomores also took Driver's Training as part of their instruction.

Becky Phillips comments, "My favorite class is P.E. In P.E., you get to move around, talk, and have a good time along with work."

Participation, physical fitness and leadership become goals of PE Dept.

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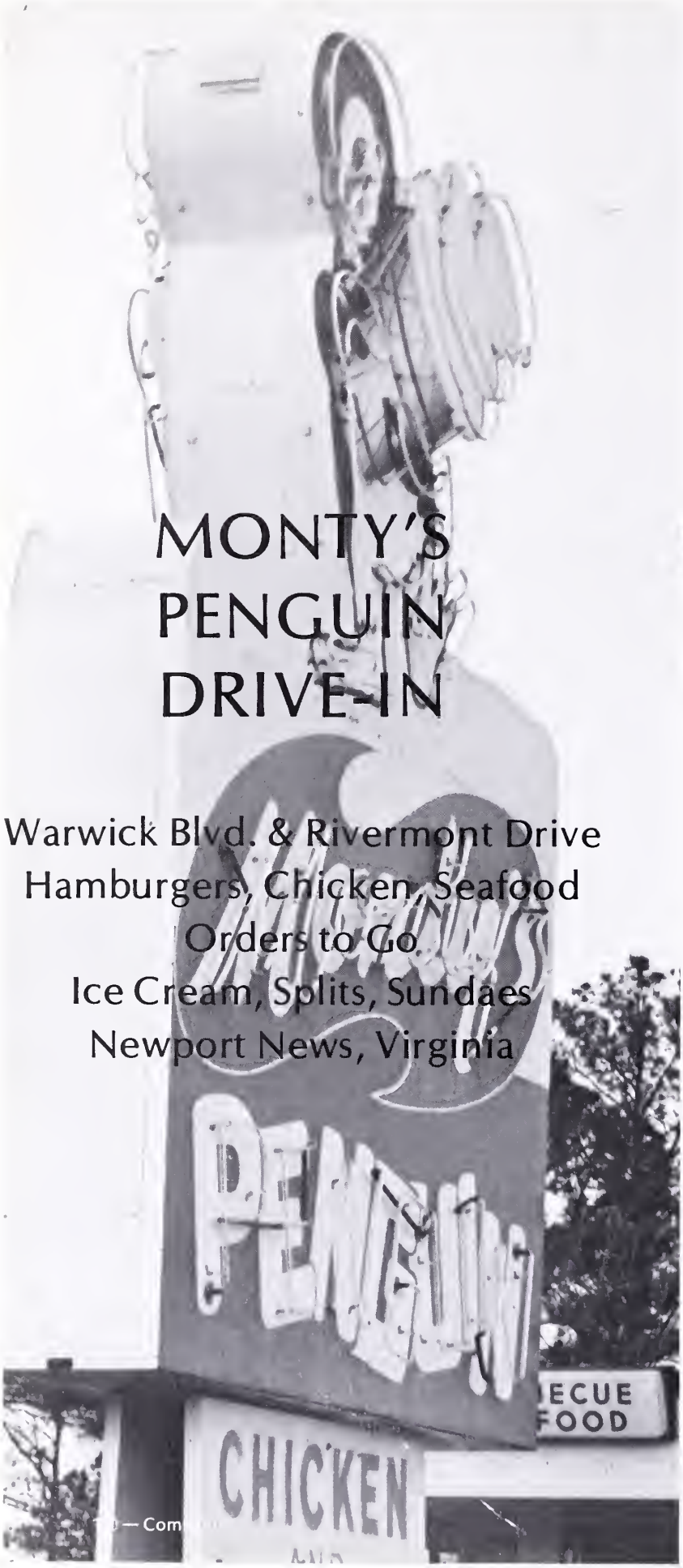

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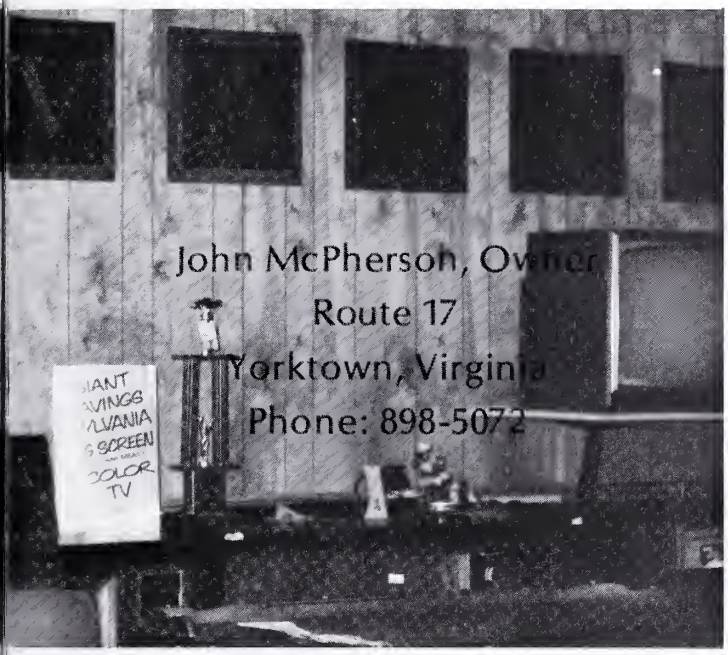
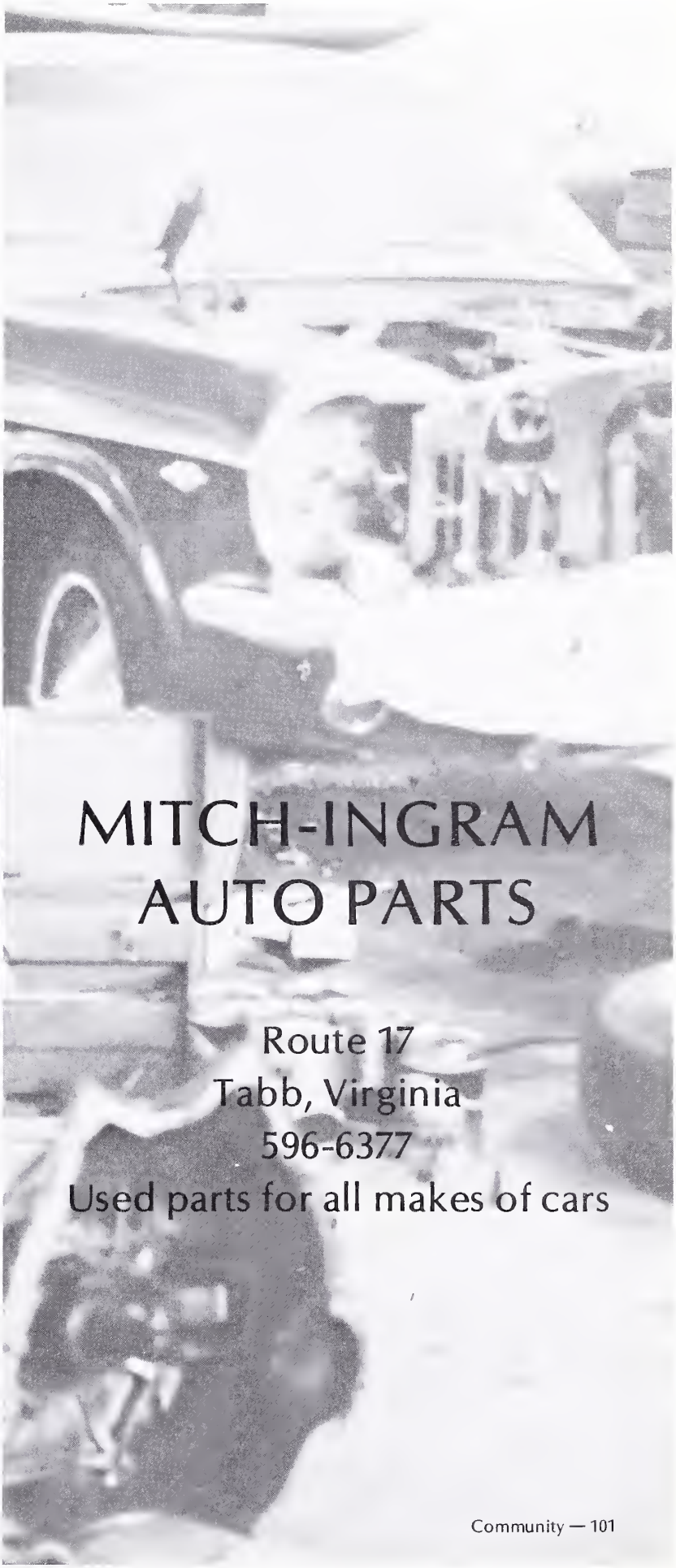
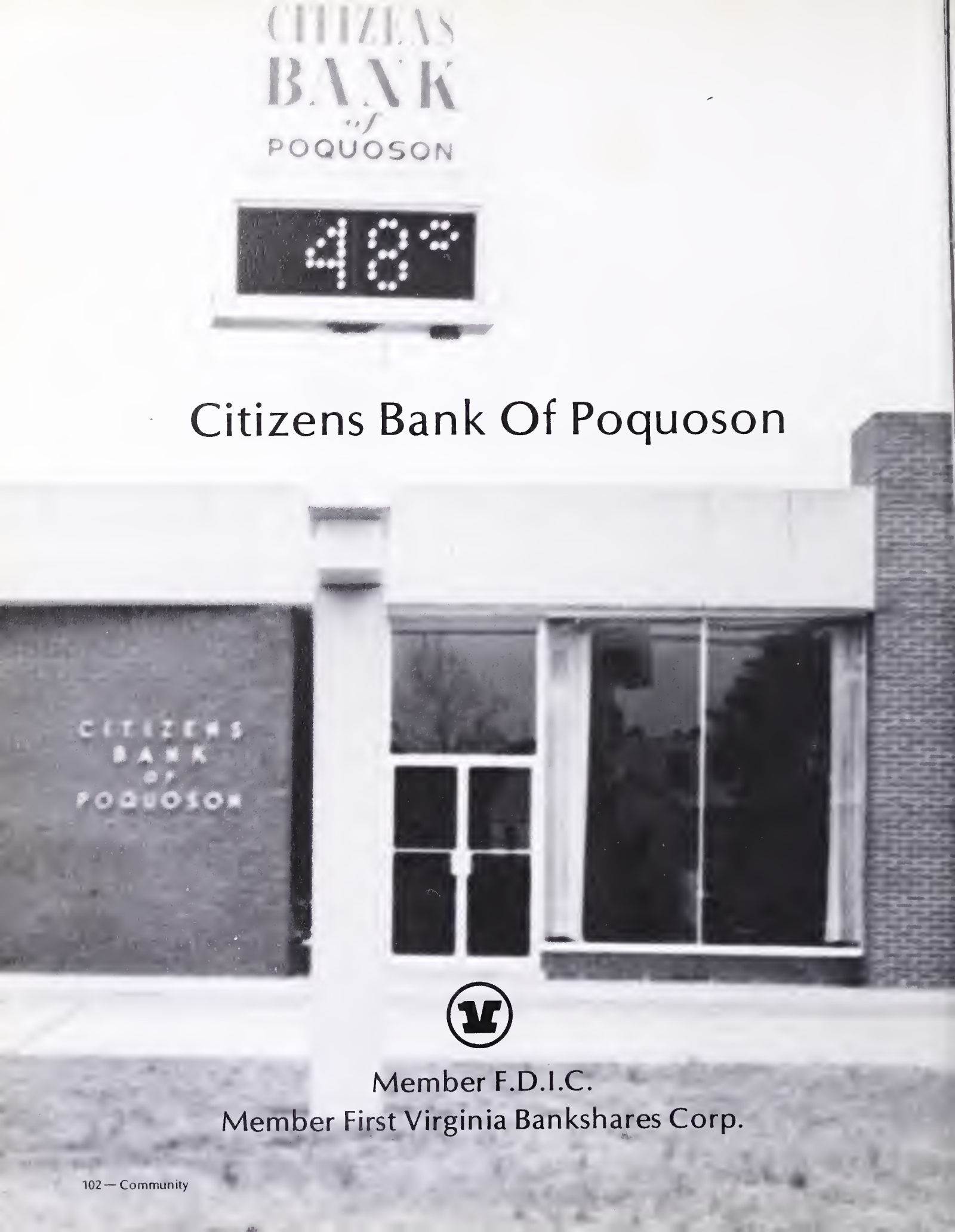


cities of Newport News and Hampton.

Everything including entertainment, groceries, and clothes were sought at the shops and business by the students and their parents. The small shops within the town were the lifesavers for many when things were forgotten or came up suddenly. Where the businesses in the cities provided the needs of the people of Poquoson, the small shops of the town provided convenience.





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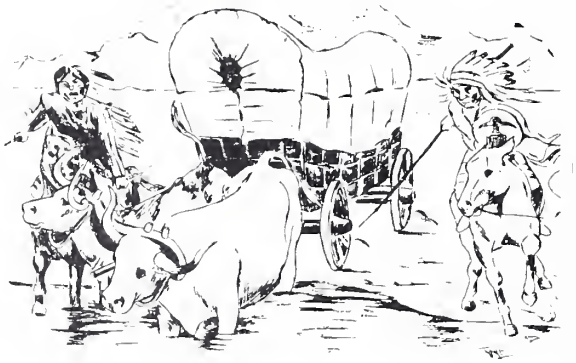

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REAL ESTATES CREATE GROWTH

It was the end of August and the beginning of school had arrived. With this came a seemingly endless flow of forms to complete. There were questionnaires, Federal cards, guidance forms, and last but not least, insurance forms. Students, especially prospective athletes, depended on these companies to insure them in case of a possible injury. Insurance companies helped provide peace of mind to many of the parents of our athletes. As the year progressed, Poquoson became more prevalent in the hotly contested athletic events of the district. The teams received much of their publicity from the *Daily Press* and Times *Herald*. These area newspapers helped spread the name of Poquoson throughout the peninsula.

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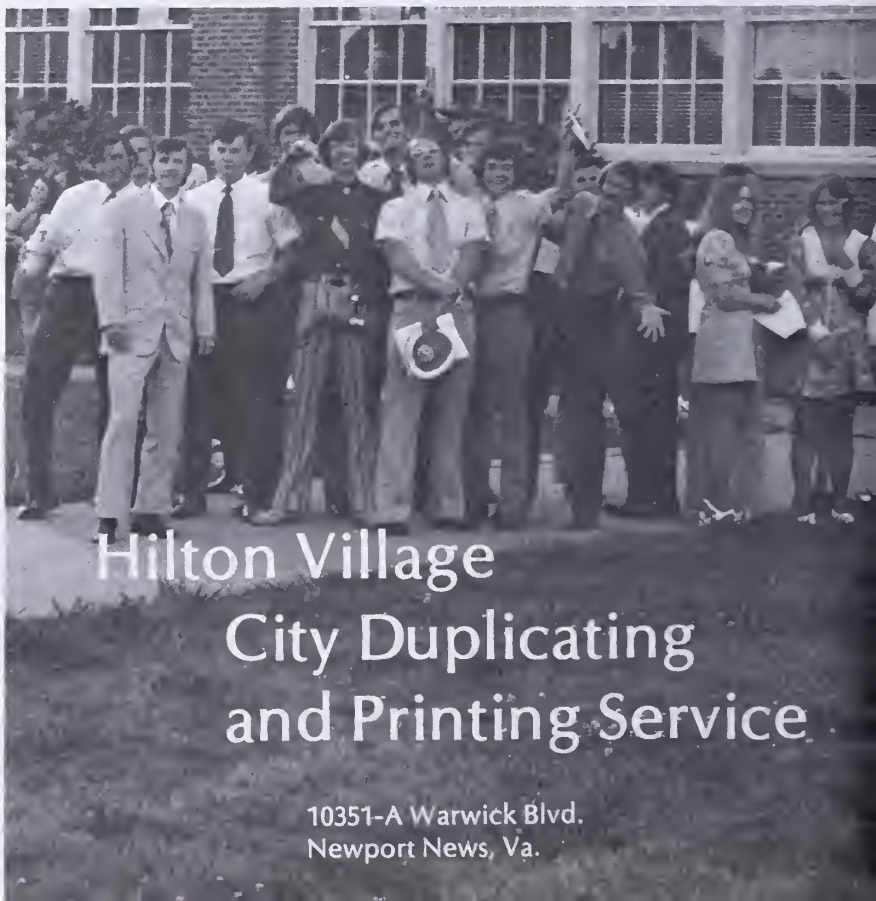

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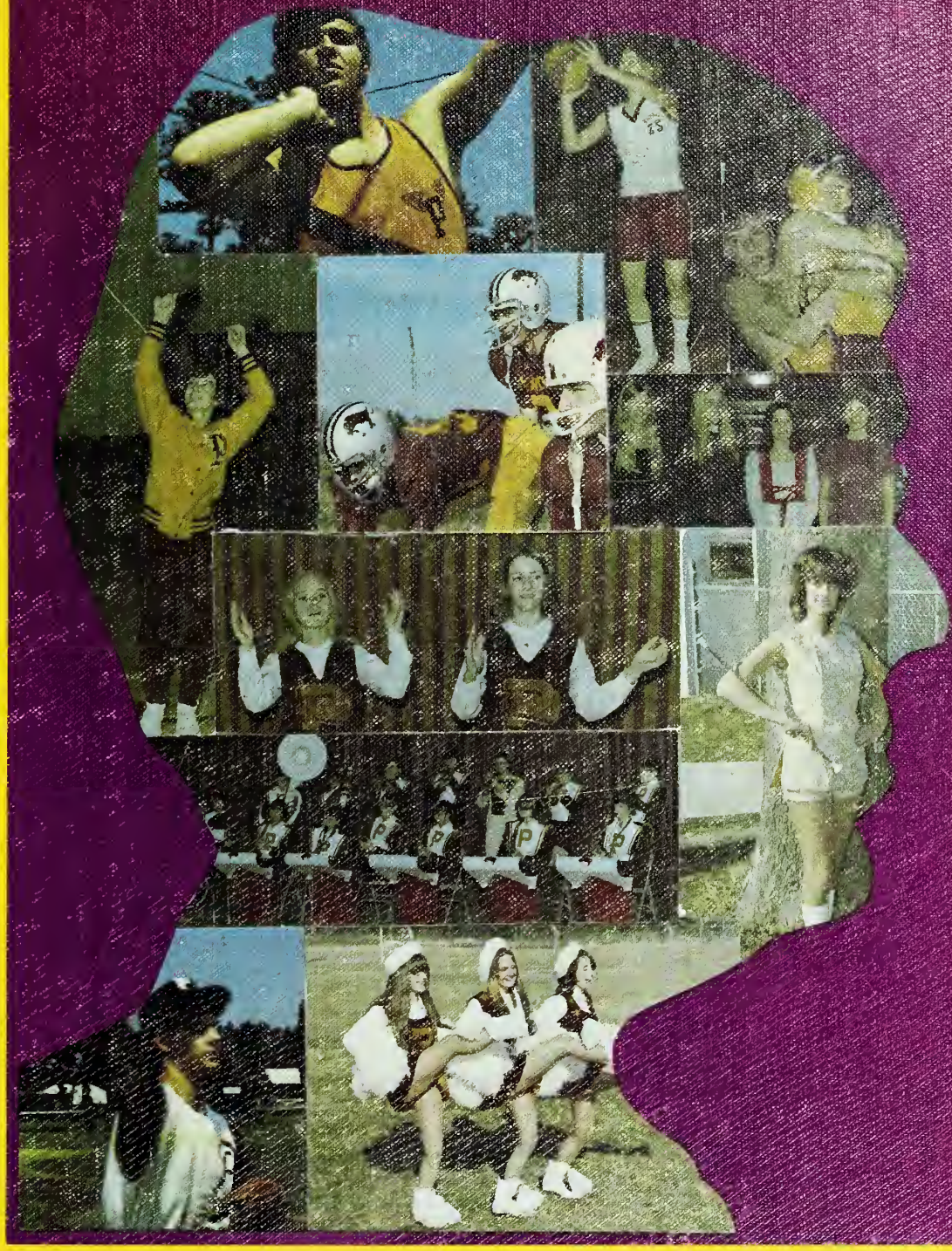

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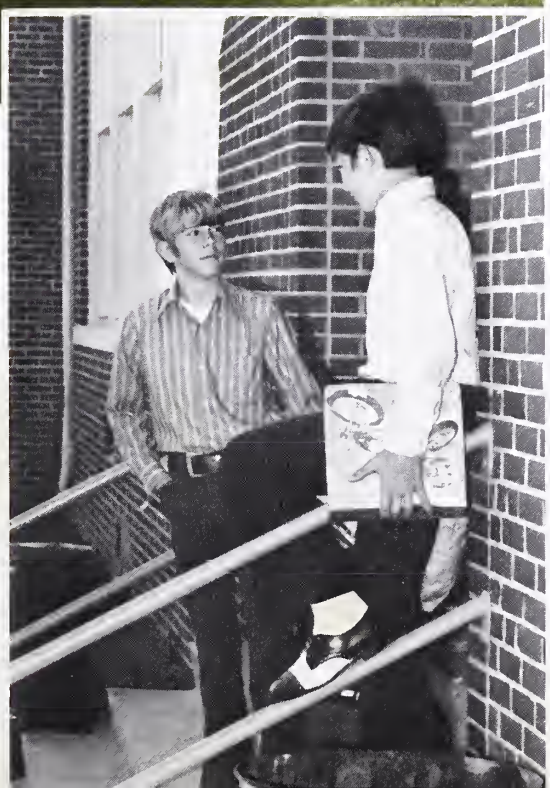

Poquoson High School
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TRIGGER

ADJUST

While the nation was adjusting to plane hijackings, peace marches, and Women's Liberation movements, Poquoson "Islanders" were adjusting to road destruction and subsequent sewer construction; water-covered sidewalks; unpaved-parking areas; ankle-deep mud; and wet weather. One ninth grader suggested that to conquer the elements, the sidewalks should not only be raised above high water level, but should be covered as well. The adjustment to these inconveniences was not always an easy one for Poquoson students, but as time passed, improvements were made and total adjustment became more of a reality.

ADJUS

While the athletic teams of Poquoson High School found themselves winning more games, the Tidewater Wings began their first hockey season in this area and Charlie Scott left the Virginia Squires to play for the Phoenix Suns. The Science Club sponsored a Science Fair in the library as the war continued in Vietnam. The draft was extended until 1973 and college deferrments became a thing of the past. Women's Lib became more organized and less radical. The Girl's Basketball team let it be known that they resented not being mentioned as often as the Varsity Basketball team.

As the drug problem increased nationally, Poquoson Police attempted to control the increasing amount of drug traffic in the town. The PTA devoted meeting time to make the people aware of the large amount of drug abuse within the town. Many showed a concern for the problem. A ninth grader said if he could change one thing in this community it would be to do away with drug abuse.

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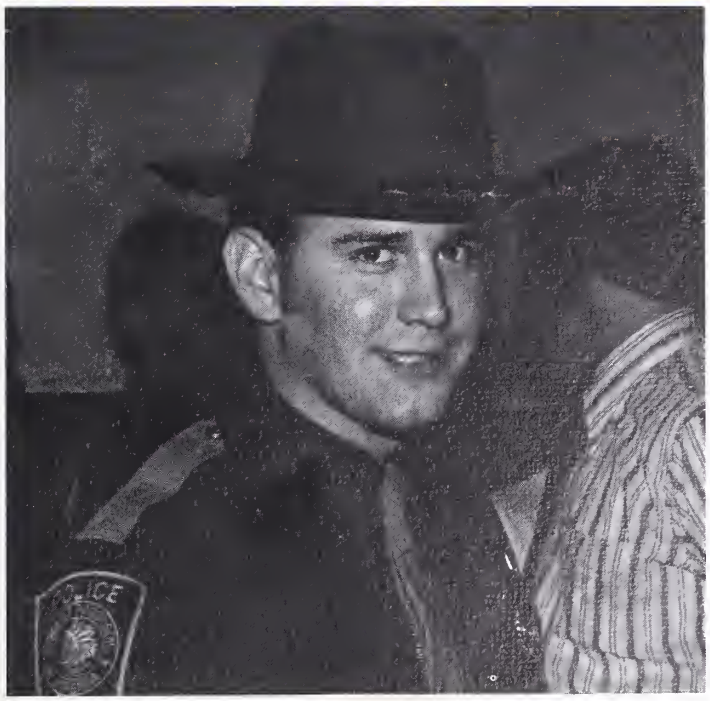

AD JESU

The Jesus Revolution came to our town. Many teenagers wore patches bearing such sayings as "Jesus Power" and "Turn on with Christ". David Davenport said his biggest adjustment was "Turning to Christ". First there was the Broadway musical, Jesus Christ Superstar, on stage at Hampton Roads Coliseum with rock songs exemplifying the last days of Jesus' life. Then came the Chaplain of Bourbon Street, Bob Harrington, who explained the real, live, down to earth Christ. All this helped to make the transition into the "Jesus Age" easier to accept.

Red China was accepted in the United Nations, and Nationalist China walked out. President Nixon visited Red China and talked to Chou En Lai on issues of worldwide concern. The world watched in astonishment as a Chinese military band played the "Star Spangled Banner."

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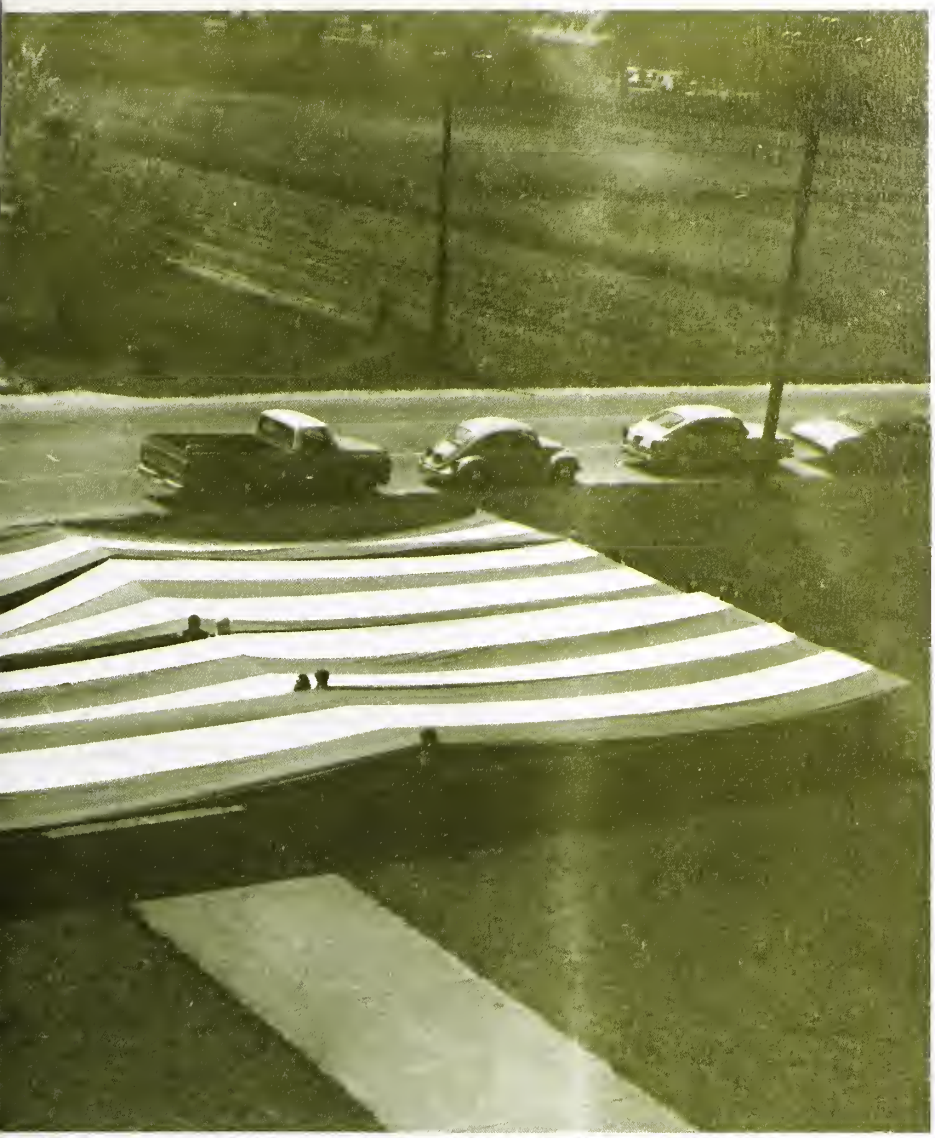


Many seniors lined up in front of the town hall to register in order to vote in the first national election in which 18 year olds could vote.

Teenagers in Poquoson, who only had a few areas to turn to on a date, welcomed the opening of Scope in Norfork and William and Mary Hall in Williamsburg. Burger Chef, Shoney's, and the Pizza Hut gained the business of Poquoson teens, who would meet at a pre-arranged location following an athletic game or a dance. Younger students depended solely on school activities because they couldn't drive to other date spots on the Peninsula.

Close contact with national, state, and local activities contributes to developing responsibility in citizens. Responsible citizenship recognizes the need for change, change is necessary for progress, and change forces adjustments. Poquoson's townspeople — the students, their parents, and the leaders — have taken great strides in the past year toward this responsible citizenship.

T M E N T

CLUBS

There was a standard reason for each club's existence; to promote school spirit, to do service, or to perform. It was for individual reasons that a student joined a club. All the members of an organization had common interests and worked in unity for one common interest.

Many long term rewards were received in return for the sacraficed time a student put into an activity such as a club. A member learned about organization, made new friends, it encouraged them to become more involved, helped them to maintain pride in themselves and their school, and instilled leadership.

As always there were a lot of selfish students who joined a club long enough to get their pictures taken for the annual. These students didn't work for the club or participate in its activities. If all who showed for pictures were active members, we would have had strong organizations.

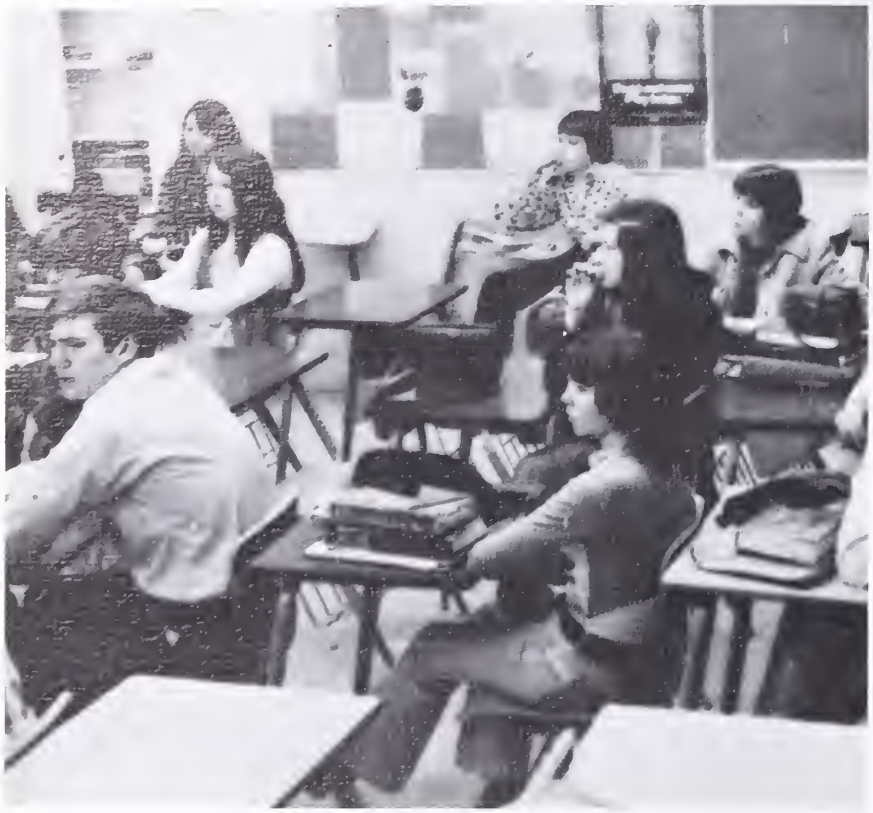
The clubs served a good purpose to those

who were really interested in them. To the younger members, it provided a place to go and something constructive to do with their time. This is badly needed in Poquoson, because there is no place to go at all. For the older members, it may have been their chance to organize and lead a group.

The trend today is headed toward making the clubs a single unit as a Humanities club and all the other organizations would be separate units that work together for the service of the community. It may be years before our organizations convert to this system because our school is small and to some extent tradition-oriented.

Clubs helped students to adjust to future problems just by being an opportunity for different people to mingle and cope with differing personalities. This is one of the best experiences a student could have gotten because, no matter what their plans are later on in life, they will be in contact with people everyday and must know how to get along wth them.

We spend half our time trying to get people to work



DOTTIE JERD, JULIE Forrest, Sharon Austin, Buster Martin, and Bob Nicholson listen intently to a fellow representative express his views. *CHRIS CHRISMAN, TOM* Blackstock, Becky Quinn, Pam Carmines, Mike Cloonan, Vickie Johnson, Ray Pett and David Nicosia seem to have wandering minds at this S.C.A. meeting. *TOM* Blackstock, Chris Chrisman, Bob Nicholson, Julie Forrest, and Gerald Teague prepare to vote on a hot issue. *PRESIDENT JEFF LANE* watches as Pam White performs one of her many duties as secretary.

The Student Cooperative Association, the student government of Poquoson High, suffers from a severe lack of interest on the part of the student body.

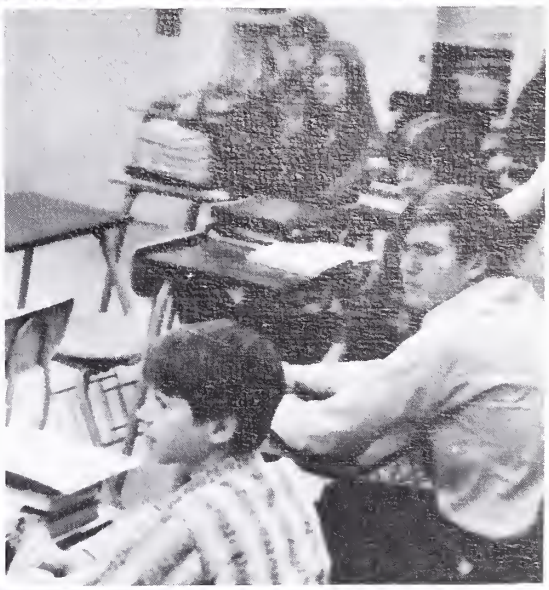
President Jeff Lane stated, "Comparatively speaking, we've accomplished more than most S.C.A.'s, but without the strings of apathy, we could have done much more."

Although these student-designated leaders carry out numerous projects throughout the year, they do not have the support they need to survive. At the beginning of the year, everyone was willing to work. But as the year progressed these student legislators suffered from a drop in morale. This problem's main cause was due to the small size of Poquoson. Students are, in reality, shared by several activities. Most students aren't willing to concentrate all of their efforts into one organization.

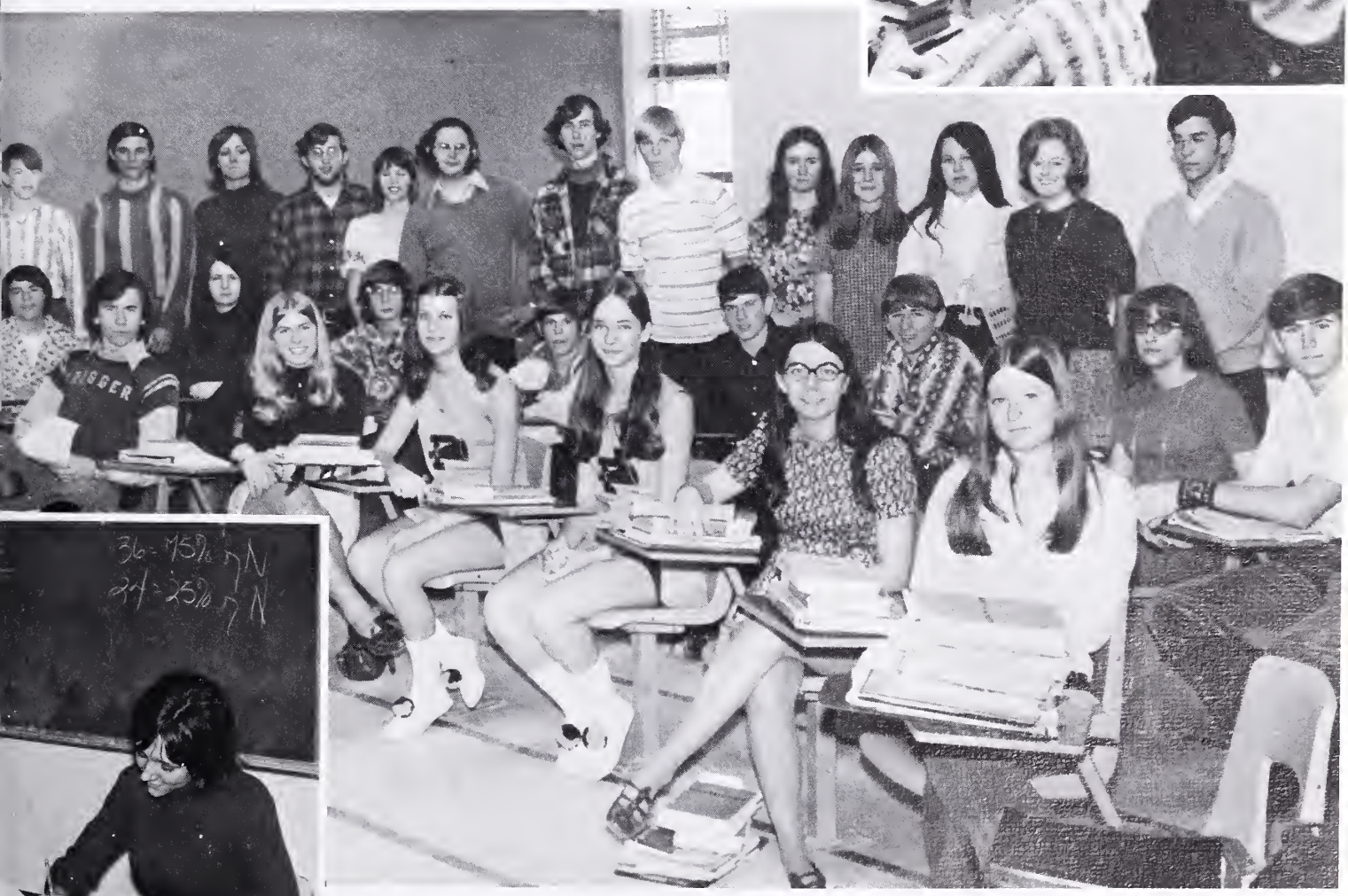
Vice-President Pam Carmines said, "The S.C.A has become so unimportant to the student, and even the representatives, that we spend half o our time trying to get people to work. We really need to get-it-all-together."

Emerging through the barrage of problems was the list of this year's accomplishments. Such projects as a Toys for Tots campaign, a paper drive issuing the *Student Directory* and *Student Handbook,* and sponsoring the Holly Ball were majo annual activities. The main project, "Caree Night", was co-sponsored by the Beta Club. Thi program was designed to present speakers from different job careers as a service to the students.

Facing conflicts and problems, these student strived to create a better S.C.A. by serving fellov students in an effort to make their small, ye meaningful, contribution to Poquoson Higl School.



DETERMINED TO COME to an agreement are Bob Nicholson, Chris Chrisman, Dottie Jerd, Sharon Autin, Buster Martin, Kathy Wyatt, Melinda Thorne, Karen Evans, Rhonda Rollins, and Eileen Mitchell. *VICKIE JOHNSON AND* Gary Hopkins obviously hold different opinions concerning an S.C.A. function. *TREASURER VON HIMELRIGHT* and Vice-President Pam Carmines take a break from their activities in the Student Store. *FRONT ROW: MIKE* Cloonan, Eileen Mitchell, Kathy Wyatt, Inga Himelright, Julie Everhart, Pam Carmines. Second Row: Buster Martin, Becky Quinn, Bob Nicholson, Gerald Teague, Robbie Clark, Marvin Rollins, Vickie Johnson, Chris Chrisman. Standing: Tom Blackstock, Gary Hopkins, Pam White, Ray Pett, Karen Evens, David Nicosia, Mike McGraw, Dave Forrest, Dottie Jerd, Julie Forrest, Sharon Austin, Mrs. Erasmi, sponsor; Jeff Lane.



HONOR COUNCIL MEMBERS Ray Pett, Pam White, Anna Holloway, Jennifer Jackson, Dianne Watkins, Rob Clark, Marvin Rollins, Chris Christman, Debbie Carmines, and Buster Martin assemble in the guidance office for an informal meeting. *BEFORE A TRIAL,* Mr. Evans and Ray Pett discuss the information gained from a preliminary investigation. *MR. FAY CHECKS* with secretaries Debbie Carmines and Pam White to get the exact words of a testimony.

Influence of society boosts code offenses

"I'd cry a lot and go home . . . jump off the roof or something," replied one student when asked what she would do if she were ever called before the Honor Council. During an actual case, one witness refused to come before the council, but later talked to individual members instead. Many students do not want to get involved in the trials; they dislike being the ones to give information. However, it is not the function of the Honor Council to worry people. According to Chairman Ray Pett, "It helps instill the qualities of good citizenship in our generation which we will definitely need when we assume the responsibilities of the operation of our country."

The council itself is made up of representatives of each class as elected the previous school year. The members do not participate in any fund-raising or extra-curricular activities such as other school organizations and clubs. Everything is intra-school. Recently, a new Honor Council position was created. The council felt a need for adjustment within council structure for the sake of efficiency. This person was to aid in checking with Mr. Evans on assignments having to do with punishment for Honor Council offenses. They were to be carried out by the specified date and if not were reported by Marvin Rollins who was appointed to the new position.

Mr. Evans, sponsor, stated that there were more cases than in past years, but he felt this was true "because the students are more concerned." A concerned teacher outside of the council said that she saw the rise in cases to be the result of a "general nonchalant attitude of most teenagers. They're lazy and it stems from the home . . . and influence of change in society, too." When asked about the effectiveness of the council, a student answered. "If people are going to cheat, they're going to cheat — Honor Council or no Honor Council." Mr. Fay, another sponsor, cited that "it takes courage to do what you think is right! The Honor System functions well within a limited framework, but an Honor System requires a mature outlook that a a good number of the students and faculty have not been able to accept."

Beta Club and SCA plan career night

The Beta Club is among other things a service organization. Besides attending to the usual Homecoming events, the club members also worked as innovators toward finding other worthwhile projects. In the fall, Beta Club members assisted parents in finding the proper rooms during the Back-to-School Night sponsored by Poquoson's P.T.A. In the spring, an entirely new program was set up and carried out by the joint effort of the S.C.A. and the Beta Club. This program, dubbed "Career Night", was formulated to give students a small introduction into occupations they might wish to pursue. Planning, as well as being on hand to assist on the night of the program, preoccupied a number of Beta members. Mrs. Barbara Erasmi explained the turnout to have been "not as good as I had hoped, but better than I had expected."

In March, seven club members journeyed to Roanoke to attend the State Beta Club Convention. This was supposed to have been the time when ideas between schools were exchanged, but it turned out to be more along the lines of just listening to the Friday night meeting of state office campaign speeches and then voting on Saturday. Other than going through the steps of the convention, the members took advantage of all the spare time available. Julie Everhart said that she enjoyed writing Tommy Blackstock's speech when he ran for State Beta Bathroom Monitor.

On the serious side, the Beta Club had its problems. Oddly enough, the club seemed to have no trouble adjusting to a relatively larger number of members, but the problem, according to President Tommy Blackstock, stemmed from "lack of interest on the part of some members. They don't feel it's important to come to the meetings." His point of view could have been derived from the fact that the Beta Club members are integral parts of the school's other clubs and activities.

SENIOR BETA CLUB members, Ray Pett, David Nicosia, Dottie Martin, Lynne Freeman, Sherry Rollins, Becky Quinn, and Ethel Johnson meet with Mrs. Piggott, sponsor, at the main entrance for a brief discussion about the graduation of honor students. *BETA CLUB OFFICERS* Ruth Anne Hunt, Treas.; Julie Everhart, V. Pres.; Debbie Carmines, Sec.; and Tommy Blackstock, Pres.; wait in front of the school before leaving for the state convention. *JUNIOR BETA MEMBERS* David Forrest, Dianne Watkins, Bobby Bryant, Barbara Watkins, Sallie White, Brenda Carmines, Liz Conrad, Cindy Hopkins, Pam Carmines, and Suzy Page pause for a moment on the school steps following an afternoon meeting.

New trends used by '72 Islander

"*GO TO CHINA,*" is Liz Conrad's comment to Libby Woolard when she suggested another way to raise more money for the yearbook. *THE FLOOR SOMETIMES* looks inviting when staff members, Debbie Carmines, Suzie Page, Jeannie Louquet, and Donna Evans, have to put in those extra long hours on copy and captions. *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF* Vickie Johnson and Mr. Campbell scan yearbook proofs for mistakes. *DOTTIE MARTIN AND* Cindy Spruill, business managers, begin their tedious task of sorting ads.

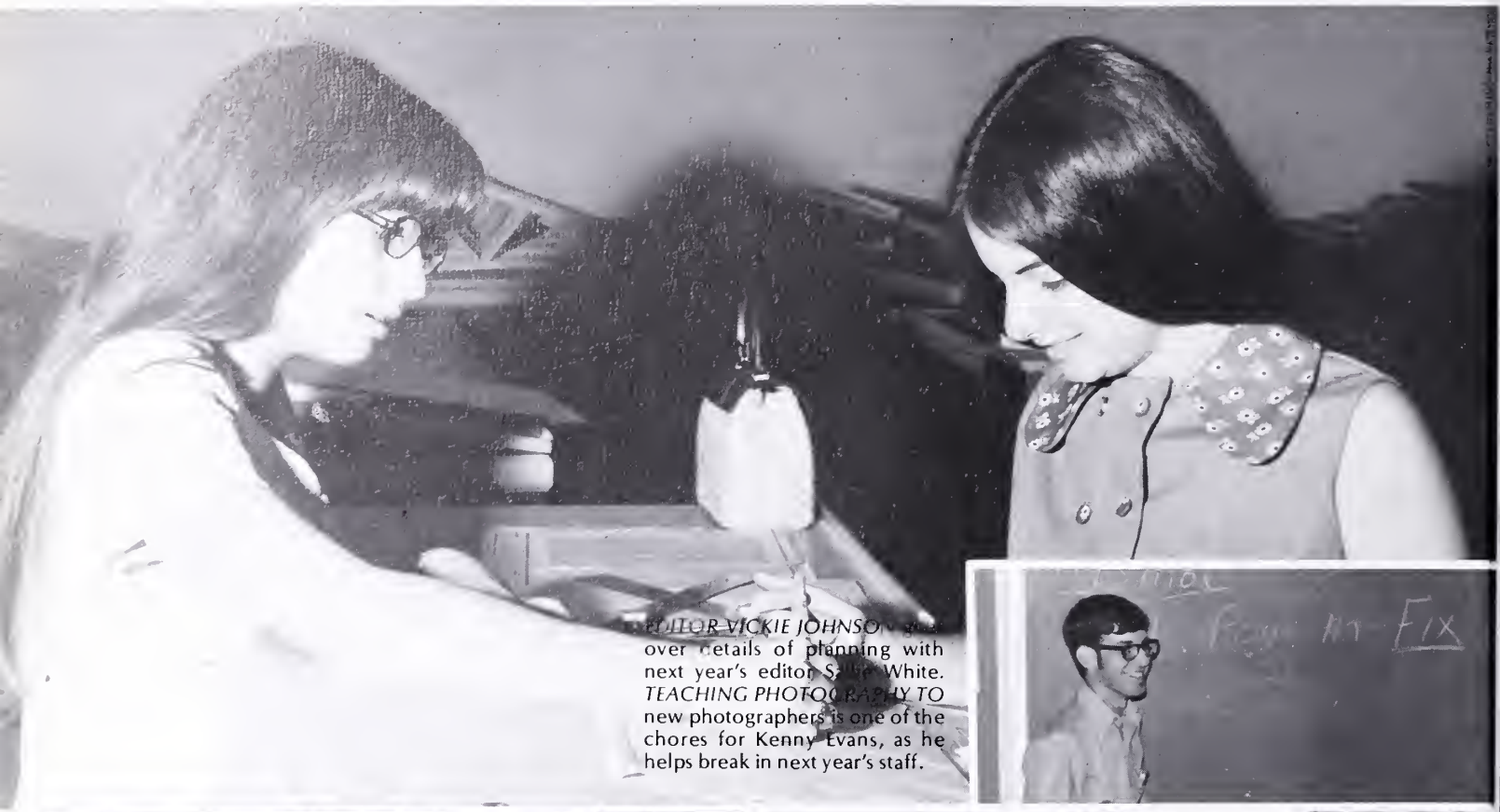
Hard work and tensions faced the Islander staff from the start of the year until the last deadline. Countless hours were spent during the summer soliciting ads to pay for part of the costs of publishing the yearbook. The staff obtained more money from the sale of ads than any other school in Virginia. Many more hours were spent after school hours, on weekends, and during holidays. There were always pages to be layed out, copy to be written, pictures to be taken and developed, and deadlines due.

Conflicts of interest tended to be the main problem among the members of the staff. Those on the staff were, in most cases, involved in many other activities at school and could not spend as much time as was needed on the annual. Another downfall was the lack of knowledge of some of the newer members of the technicalities involved with drawing up pages for the annual. These problems did eventually smooth out, somewhat.

Many changes and new ideas were incorporated into the Islander '72. A new flip-flop designed book overlapping pictures, tiled layouts, and a broader scope of the world happenings were placed into the yearbook.

MRS. CLARK HOLDS back a laugh as she and Lynne Freeman, layout editor, and Sherry Rollins, copy editor check their photo proofs. *JUNIOR LAYOUT STAFF,* Libby Woolard, Liz Conrad, Pam Carmines, Darlene Ward, and Sallie White, work together to complete an upcoming deadline. *RUTH ANNE HUNT* and Fimiah Diggs, senior layout staff, work on student activities for the May deadline.

Long hours and hard work describe Islander



EDITOR VICKIE JOHNSON goes over details of planning with next year's editor Sabie White. *TEACHING PHOTOGRAPHY TO* new photographers is one of the chores for Kenny Evans, as he helps break in next year's staff.

LIZ CONRAD FINDS a "simple" index is not as simple after all. *LOOKING OVER THE* ads spread in the floor, Vickie Johnson, listens to suggestions from Fimiah Diggs.

"This year's staff was typical of the years past, in that 90% of the work was done by a few and yet the whole staff will receive the credit." — Mr. Campbell

"Working on the annual takes a lot of work. People just don't realize how much time and effort goes into it." — Darlene Ward

"I think one of the really bad things about the annual staff is that everyone procrastinates and all the work piles up. I like it though and when the book comes out, I'll know I was a part of making it." — Liz Conrad

"The yearbook is a big pain!! I wish I could go home just one day after school for a change, instead of staying after to work on the annual. But I'll be so proud to see all of the work that we've done when the book is finished." — Sallie White

"Being editor of the Islander has been a privilege, a lot of fun, and a lot of hard work and hours. Mr. Campbell is a great advisor and a great person with which to work. The staff as a whole was great." — Vickie Johnson

"I think this year's editor should be commended for undertaking the job she had. This book should rank with some of the best in the state because she used the most up to date ideas in layouts and copy writing. — Mr. Campbell

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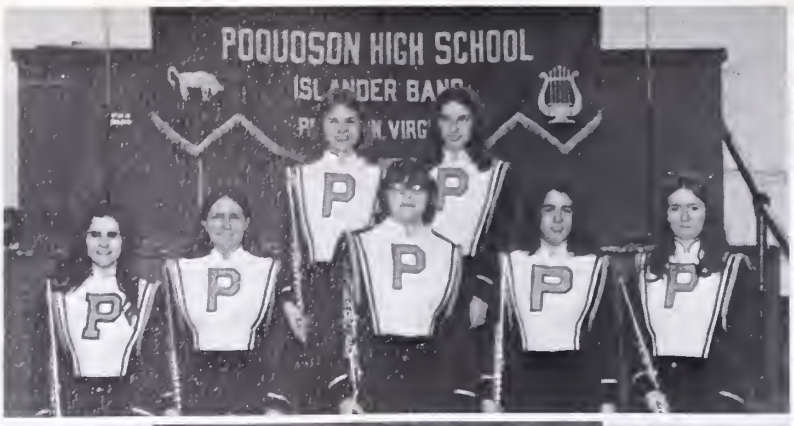
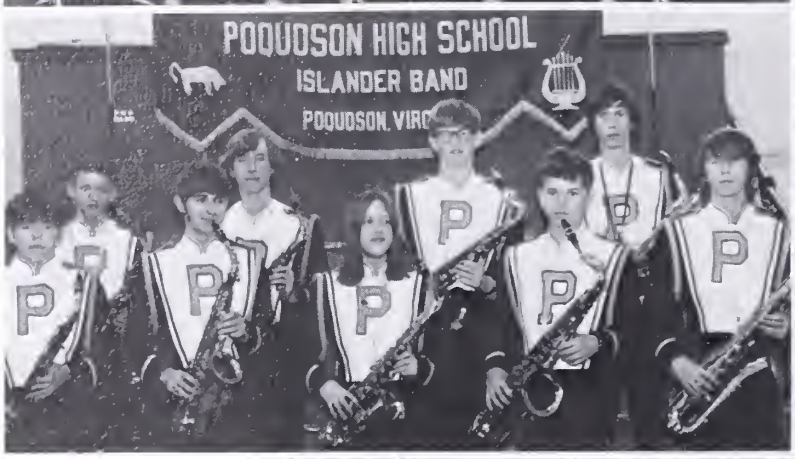
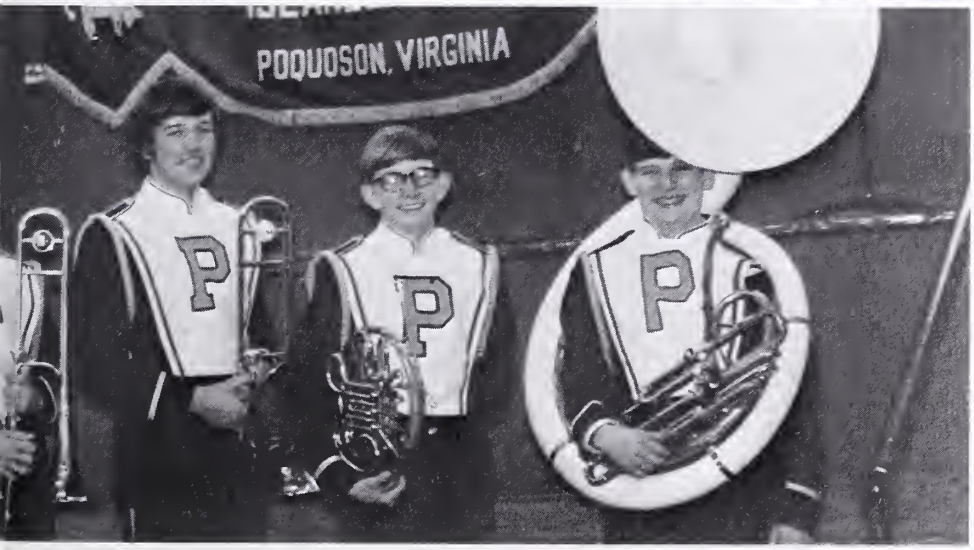




THE FLUTE SECTION was composed of Anne Insley, Mary Gorde, Jody Henley, Mary Beth Edwards, Dottie Jerd, Eileen Carmines, and Martha Hunt. *JOEL LEEPER, ROY* Rollins, Nancy Ingle, Dean Burnett, Gary Roebach, Roger Hastings, Mike McGraw, Tommy Forrest, and Glenn Rollins composed the low woodwind section.

MEMBERS OF THE trumpet section Dave Nicosia, Danny Smith, Brad Gilikin, Mark Campbell, Lynn Howard, Anthony Bargeman, Leo Forrest, and Tommy Freeman pose for a picture. *THE CLARINET SECTION* was composed of Pam Carmines, Kathy Proctor, Debbie Carmines, Nancy Ingle, Brenda Carmines, Tracy Davis, Eileen Mitchell, Nancy Freeman, Susan Wiggs, Billie Jo Rondeau, and Paul Bryan. *MEMBERS OF THE* brass section were David Manning, Ray Pett, Mike Lowery, Chuck Sharman, Mike Moore, Jay Freeman, and Tim Manning.

STAGE BAND MEMBERS perform another pop tune. *THE PERCUSSION SECTION* consisted of Paulette Benton, Tim Blount, Tim Moore, Claude Carr, Karen Bunting, Ivey Wainwright, Sid Holloway, and Bud Proctor.



As usual, band members got a letter in the mail about a month before the beginning of school informing them of the summer practices. Everyone began working toward getting the first halftime show underway, and Jay Freeman started adding and subtracting points toward lettering in band. In time, everybody was on the football field for early morning practices, barefoot and battling the mosquitoes once again. Almost everything looked the same as last year except the drum major, Danny Smith, carried his trumpet instead of a baton so he could help out the firsts. Yet the year was different; plans had been made to take the band to Winchester for the Apple Blossom Festival in May.

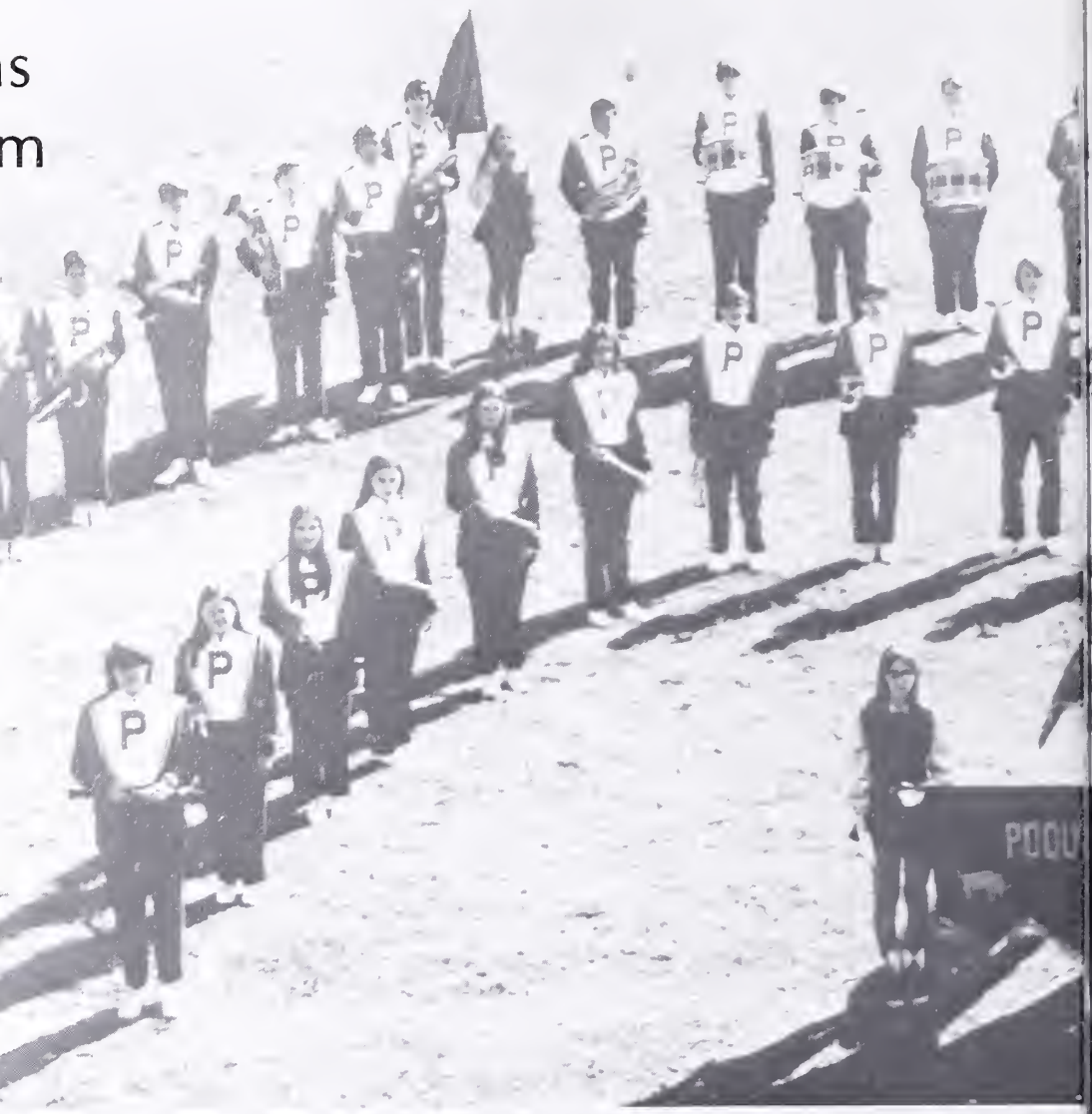
The half-time shows, the parades, and the Christmas concert came and went, but the thoughts of the big event to come remained. At first there were only subtle reminders — a doughnut sale, a dance, or a sales kit project to raise money. Then spring arrived and the band members finished the next concert and started concentrating on marching. By that time everybody knew that the band was going to Winchester. The daily Poplar Street exhibitions continued, and the band members counted the days, though with mixed feelings.

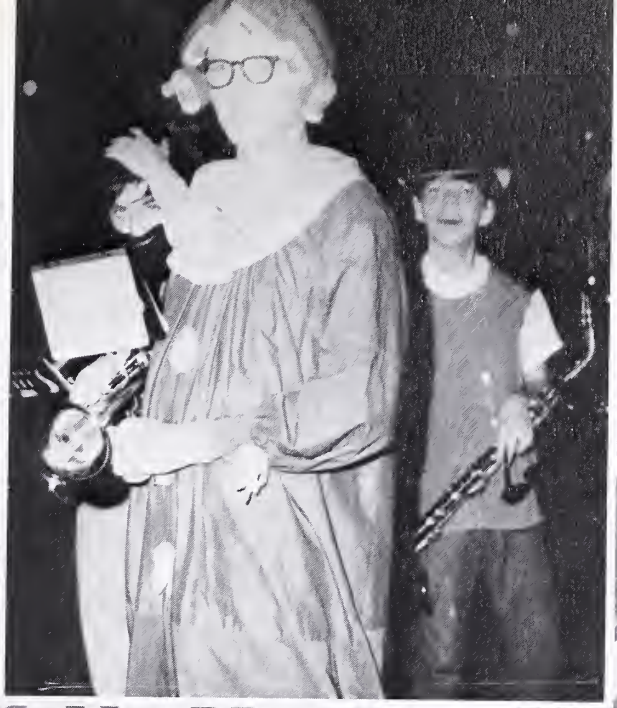
Five hour delay haunts musicians at Apple Blossom

Finally Winchester came. The eighth graders were the most excited, but a few of the upper classmen did not particularly care to go. After all of the weeks of waiting, the band members found out what waiting really meant. They sat, stood, and walked around for five hours before the Fireman's Parade started Friday. With the darkness came confusion. The planned marching manoeuvre was cancelled sometime during the course of the parade, but communication was poor. While most members waited to see what everyone else was going to do, one member did the manoeuvre by himself in front of the judges stand!

On Saturday, the band members were allowed to roam the feature parade route on their own. After an afternoon of leisure, the band put on a half-time show in competition at James Wood High School. On the bus, Danny Smith said, "You did well, but we were out-classed."

Though the band came home Sunday, and Winchester was gone, the band had not finished for the year. One senior band member commented, "I don't feel like much is left except a kind of acting out what is left. Mr. Miller isn't coming back next year, and so I'm glad I'm not either. I guess it's partly because he came here when I was an eighth grader, and I'm sentimental."





LEADERS OF THE band in parade formation are flag-bearers Ellen Moore, Barbara Moore, Cindy Hall, Paula Hunt, Nanette Saunders, Cheryl Holloway and Becky Smith. *BRAD GILLIKIN AND* Joel Leeper display their costumes at the football game at which the band presented a Halloween halftime. *ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT* Pam Carmines is a beer can, Vickie Johnson is a lily pad and Martha Hunt is a hobo during the band's performance. *DURING THE CHRISTMAS* assembly, the band presented a number of celebrated musical selections before the student body.

Biggest problem this year was settling differences

POM POM GIRLS Karen West, Patti Cross, Julie Everhart, Darlene Ward, Donna Evans, Chat Crawford, Cindy Fox, Sue Elmore, and Cathy Lilly, co-captains Fimiah Diggs and Vickie Johnson and mascot Angie Hopkins add beauty to the Poquoson Marina. *THE POM POM* girls and majorettes — Gail Bunting, Paulette Benton, Ressie Forrest, Vickie Johnson, Fimiah Diggs, Patti Cross, Karen West, Danette Holloway, and Angie Hopkins combine their talents during band practice. *KAREN WEST, CHAT* Crawford, and Susan Elmore perform during a band concert.

The pom pom girls of the 1972 Poquoson High School "Islander" band started the season with summer practices with only four returning girls. The inexperience on the part of the new girls made it difficult at practices for co-captains Fimiah Diggs and Vickie Johnson.

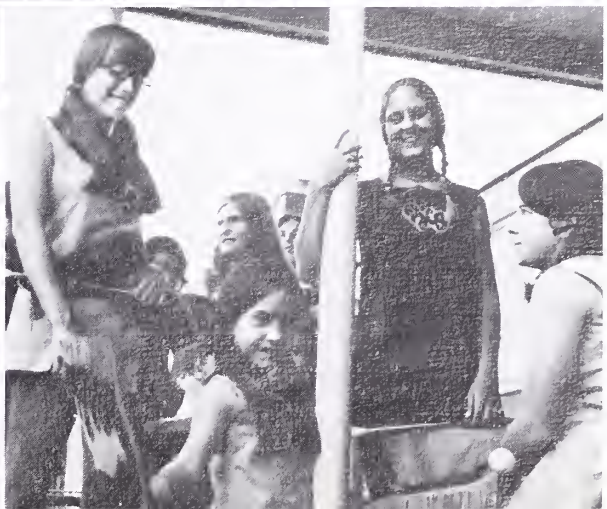
In the spring, many tryout for both cheerleader and pom pom girl. With conflict of ideas as to form and movement, many hours were spent during the summer months just relearning basic skills. With hard practice and long hours the squad was ready for the first half time show with Charles City and the Firmen's parade. At the start of football season the girls practiced after school everyday and turned out good routines; although, hampered with personality conflicts and jealousy. Out of confusion the squad developed into a unified and skilled group adding beauty and attractiveness to the band, parades, football games, and concert.

Another addition to the squad was a new mascot Angie Hopkins. As the youngest pom pom girl, Angie, sometimes found it difficult to keep up, but she caught onto routines.

"We found the biggest problem we had this year was settling personal differences and putting routines together." — Fimiah Diggs and Vickie Johnson.

When asked his opinion of the pom pom girls Mr. Miller, band director, replied, "The 'old ladies' really have personality."

CO-CAPTAINS FIMIAH Diggs and Vickie Johnson "reach for the sky" during a routine. *ANGIE HOPKINS CONCENTRATES* on marching during the homecoming parade. *VICKIE JOHNSON, DEBBIE* Luthie, Angie Hopkins, Donna Evans, and Fimiah Diggs take a moment to discuss routines and relax before a parade.



SHARON DEBERRY AND Danette Holloway pause momentarily as they finish a routine in the Basketball Night activites. *MR. MILLER BAND* leader, discusses props with Paulette Benton for the Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester. *AS SHE BRUSHES* up on a solo performance, Theresa Forrest demonstrates a salute. *MASCOT DANETTE HOLLOWAY* watches for her cue, while Debbie Luthie, Paulette Benton and Sharon Debarry are featured twirling fire in the Homecoming halftime festivities.

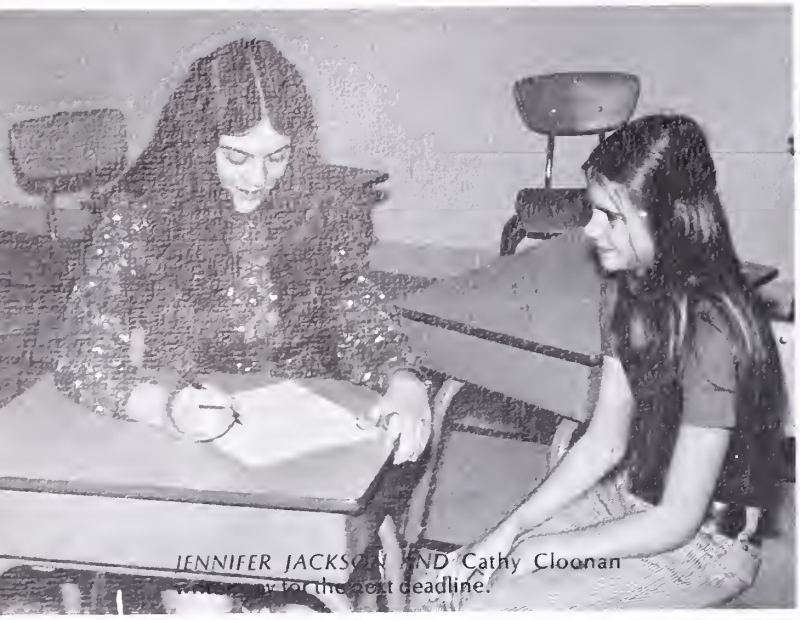
KATHY LAWSON, GAIL Bunting, Paulette Benton, Sharon DeBerry and Danette Holloway pose in formation at the Poquoson Marina. *KATHY LAWSON AND* her pumpkin illustrate true Halloween spirit at the West Point football game.

Majorettes witches' mascarade highlights Halloween program

"It was a nice feeling to know that the majorette squad was helping to represent our school in parade activities," stated Sharon DeBerry. Not only parades, but concerts and trips also complimented the agenda of the majorettes. They performed routines to band numbers during half-time shows at football games. One particular half-time presentation, near Halloween, featured the majorettes mascarading as witches with an added attraction of twirling fire batons. Debbie Luthie said, "It was awfully embarassing as Halloween when it rained and our capes bled on our outfits."

"The majorettes have always added beauty to the P.H.S. band and their performance at the spring concert was no exception," commented Gail Bunting. Versatility was the main quality demanded of them, as they topped the concert with an umbrella routine to "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head."

There was much to look forward to, as anticipation of future days was still building. Theresa Forrest, feature twirler, said, "I can't wait to go to the Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester." Head majorette Paulette Benton, although it is her last year, hopes for a larger squad in the coming year. Harmony may be a little more difficult to achieve, as setting up practices caused some conflict requiring minor adjustments, but any large squad faces such difficulties.



JENNIFER JACKSON AND Cathy Cloonan [illegible] for the next deadline.

MISS JORDAN, ISLAND ECHO sponsor, reviews a recent issue with editor Suzy Page.

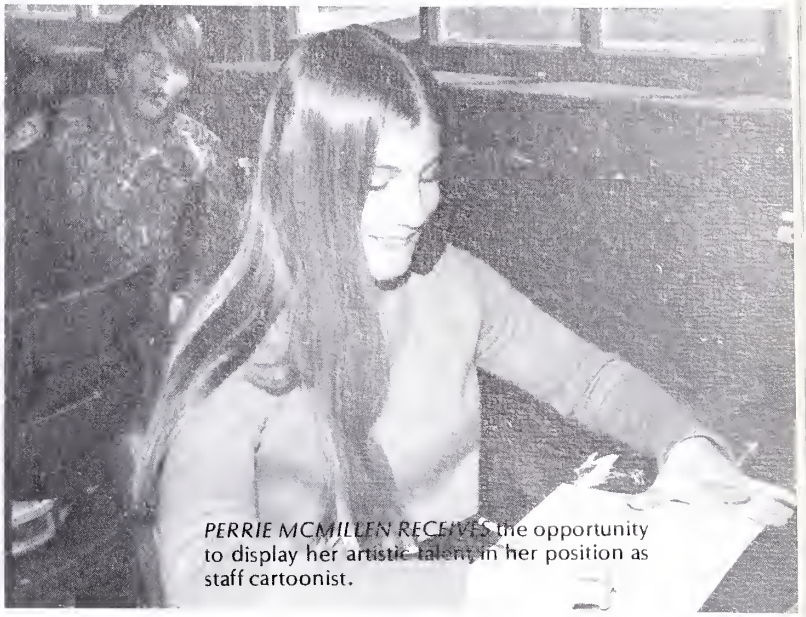
Inexperience and lack of participation were the key words during 71-72

Inexperience and lack of participation were the key words during 1971-72 when speaking of the ISLAND ECHO staff. The group unusually consisted of three eighth graders and four juniors, only one of whom had ever before served on the newspaper. "It's been nice. I've found this year's paper much more challenging than those in the past." Phyllis Savchenko. "I was really disappointed because not many people joined the staff. It made all of us work that much harder." Perrie McMillen. Despite these handicaps the ISLAND ECHO produced a newspaper that was heralded by the DAILY PRESS, an accomplishment of no other school on the Peninsula this year.

WRITING HEADLINES IS one of many duties shared by Perrie McMillen, Tommy Blackstock, and Laurie Booth.

Future Teachers of America

JULIE EVERHART HURRIEDLY types copy to meet an upcoming deadline.



PERRIE MCMILLEN RECEIVES the opportunity to display her artistic talent in her position as staff cartoonist.

Although the staff was looked down upon by many students they always endeavored to keep their chins high and not be disappointed when sales were lower then usual. "Our student support was terrible. We sold more papers to the sixth, seventh, and eight graders than we did to upperclassmen." Perrie McMillen.

Miss Linda Jordan served as sponsor for the newspaper, a position she had never before held. The year became a mutual learning session for both the students and their sponsor. "Miss Jordan pushed us terribly hard, but she only wanted to have a better paper." Jennifer Jackson

Many of the staff members attended workshops throughout the year and visited the DAILY PRESS to observe the way a larger paper operates. "I really enjoyed going to the convention in Richmond." Phyllis Savchenko "I though our trip to the DAILY PRESS was very informative." Jennifer Jackson Next year the ISLAND ECHO should produce a much improved newspaper with many experienced workers. "We are looking forward to having a much better paper next year because more of us will know what's happening." Suzy Page "I think next year's newspaper will be a big improvement over this year's." Tom Blackstock

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PHYLLIS SAVCHENKO STRIVES to keep the records straight to fulfill her position as business manager.

THORNTON WILDER'S PLAY "Childhood" was performed by Drama Club members Beverly Burrage, Doug Drummond, and Vickie Johnson. *THIS YEAR THE* Drama Club's size expanded to include more members than ever in the past.

Mr. Roberts jells Thespian Club into an active company

The Drama Club, consisting of the Speech and Drama class and other interested students, began the season with the play, "Trojan Women." Several obstacles had to be surmounted before the play went on stage. Lack of an adequate wardrobe collection forced members of the play to dye sheets for robes and to convert sandals into shoes similar to those used in ancient times. After many long hours of memorizing and practicing lines, Fawn Johnson did not believe the play was a success. "I didn't like the play because it was hard for people to understand. I didn't really enjoy being in it." Sallie White also didn't believe the play went over very well, "I didn't understand it, but the play got me out of class."

The next play "The Long Christmas Dinner," proved to be more successful. Although memorization and hard practice continued, the play faced different obstacles. Casting became a problem when there were not enough people for the parts and lack of experience in using stage make-up proved difficult for the performers. Bubba Jones commented, "This was a very interesting play and I had a lot of fun performing in it." During the spring, the difficulties grew smaller and the Drama Club soared through "Black Comedy" and "Childhood."

Bill Roberts, drama coach, said, "I learned from the club how to schedule a play and practice. The Drama Club needs more involvement from the members of the club, as well as from the school. I believe that more people were involved this year than in years before.'"

"It was a great concert"

MEMBERS OF THE 1971-72 PHS Glee Club included Julie Everhart, Hilda Sue Freeman, Sarah Edwards, Tracy Muza, and Barbara Bradshaw, First Row; Debbie Luthie, Barbara Watkins, Barbara Moore, Debbie Murdock, Second Row; Rhonda Boyd, Regina Forrest, Linda Geissinger, Dottie Schiffler, Terry Baker, Pat Ingle, Third Row; and Grace Moss, Regina Holloway, Marilyn Trantham, Debbie Williamson, Audrey Dryden, Julie Forrest, Sandra Murdock, Fourth Row. *JANET EDWARDS, JULIE* Hopkins, Ruth Anne Hunt, Paula Hunt, First Row; Teresa Manning, Betty Clark, Cheryl Bridwell, Kathy Shriver, Second Row; and Pam Forrest, Libby Woolard, Carolyn, Marshall, Gwen St. John, Third Row, were sopranos in this year's chorus. *CHRIS MOORE, CHESTER* Brooks, George Robertson, First Row; Eddie Stoneberg, James Murdock, Earl Branch, Second Row; and Bobby Backus, Waverly Dryden, Butch Backus, Billy Thomas, Billy Hunt, Third Row, were important cogs in the formation of the chorus. *PERFORMING IN CONCERTS* was one of many events enjoyed by chorus participants Preston Gaus, Kevin Seigfrig, Jack Leeson, First Row; Greg Watt, Debbie West, Garland Hanson, Second Row; and Curtis Shaw, Bubba Carmony, Percy Ward, Third Row. *MRS. FERGUSON INSTRUCTS* accompanist Ruth Anne Hunt in the proper manner to play a new song.

The chorus, directed by Mrs. Francis Ferguson, has proven to be an integral factor in PHS student life. Composed of 60 members, the repertoire of the group was vast, ranging in style from the most classical music to the latest tunes.

The chorus participated in many school annd community activities including two concerts during the year. The initial performance was during Christmas with the Band and the Drama Club included. "It was a very good concert but there wasn't enough traditional music involved." Mike West. As a community activity, the chorus sang at an annual Christmas tree burning which was held at the town park. "It was good but we don't have enough support from the students, but appealed to the parents and relatives of the participants. The second production was in cooperation with the Art Department as part of the Spring Arts Festival "It was a great improvement over the Christmas concert because now the students can read and understand the music better." Lucia Bridwell. As usual, the chorus performed at the Baccalaureate services during graduation exercises.

TOP: PAULETTE BENTON, Rob Booth, Brenda Moore, Von Himelright, Garry Bunting, Paul Campbell, David Verser, Waverly Dryden. *BOTTOM: SALLIE WHITE,* Fawn Johnson, Mark Boyd, David Davenport, Homer Kettleman, Dianne Watkins, Ray Pett.

Varsity Club promotes better sportsmanship

"The Varsity club wasn't very active, but I think it did a real good job with the few programs that it did have!" — Sallie White

The 1971-72 Varsity Club continued the job it began last year when it was organized, of promoting spirit and good sportsmanship to any student who has earned a letter.

The club, with its new ideas and members, participated in many activities at Poquoson High. Members sold refreshments at basketball games and also handled season tickets to spring sports.

"I think the refreshments committee did a good job this year." — Brenda Carmines

The club members voted to have one specific style of letter jacket instead of several different kinds, as many of the students had in the past.

"I don't think the Varsity Club is as popular with the student body as it should be. We don't have very many members." — Homer Ketterman

VARSITY CLUB MEMBER, Edward Cain, prepares for the basketball halftime rush by getting out an extra box of crackers. *SELLING DRINKS AND* refreshments at dances becomes fun for Dianne Watkins and Roy West as the merchandise occasionally needs sampling.

MARY BETH EDWARDS, Inga Himelright, Jean Stevens, Linda Manzie, Mary Sikora, and Beverly Ward take a break from their many chores as F.H.A. members. *DISCUSSING PLANS FOR* future F.H.A. programs are Laurie Booth, Karen Bryant, Melinda Thorne, Rhonda Rollins, and sponsor. Mrs. Edwards. *SEWING IS ONE* of the many activities enjoyed by F.H.A. members Myrtle Firth, Ruth Insley, Patty manzie, and Janet Moore. *BRENDA PAGE, MARTINE* Sin cose, Arlene Firth, and Hilda Sue Freeman prepare to experiment one of the delicious recipes learned in F.H.A.

Fashion show, camp highlight FHA year

The Future Homemakers of America began a successful year with a back-to-school luncheon for the teachers in the fall. Other activities included a Bake-Sale in which part of the profits were donated to the Dennis Holloway Fund.

Eight members attended F.H.A. camp in the summer and eight more are making plans to attend again this year.

"F.H.A. camp is a great place to get to know many new people." — Mary Beth Edwards

"Wise Use of Leisure Time" was the main topic chosen to base the club's programs on.

"This topic was chosen to show the girls how to use their spare time in a more useful way." — Mrs. Edwards (Sponsor)

Roanoke was the location of the F.H.A. Convention this year. Representatives from our club attended.

"It was enlightening to learn what girls all over the state are doing in F.H.A." — Rhonda Rollins (President)

A Future Homemakers Fashion Show was also held in which six of our members participated.

"Some of the outfits the girls made to wear in the F.H.A. Fashion Show were really outstanding." — Inga Himelright

Touring, selling mice and volunteering complete the F.N.A. agenda

The Future Nurses of America, sponsored by Mrs. Carol Smith, endeavored to make themselves more familiar with the concepts of a health career. With membership increased by fifty percent, activities to further encourage their future as nurses included doing volunteer work at the Virginia Baptist Home, and touring several hospitals. Nurse Smith cites the tour of Riverside Hospital as "very interesting for the girls."

Although they worked diligently in their volunteer status, the girls participated in many money making campaigns. Among them was the selling of stationery at the beginning of the school year. In order to help the progress of cancer research, the F.N.A. sold mouse pins for fifty-one cents, the proceeds of which were used to "Send a Mouse to College."

Rhonda Rollins said, "We got a lot of laughs but some people did agree that it was a good idea. I though more people would give."

Through the knowledge gained in the past year, the members of the F.N.A. hope to prove helpful to the world of medicine as they tackle their hopeful careers as nurses.

FRONT ROW: THERESA Forrest, Debbie Gorrell, Mary Beth Frishkorn, Karen West, Second row: Melinda Thorne, Elaine Boise, Annette Howard, Rhonda Rollins, Ellen Moore, Back row: Bev Burrage, Janet Moore, Susan Stephens, Mary Gorde. *MARY GORDE, RHONDA* Rollins, Karen West, Theresa Forrest, and Bev Burrage attempt to diagnose Marcis Johnson's 'TERRIBLE' disease. *MELINDA THORNE EXECUTES* one of her duties as President under the watchful eyes of Ellen Moore, Debbie Gorrell, Susan Stephens, Mary Beth Frishkorn, Annette Howard, Janet Moore and Elaine Boise.

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Dennis Holloway Fund is established by V.I.C.A.

Many students, instead of choosing more academically based careers, chose vocational careers. When underclassmen at Poquoson, there really is not much a student can do to help fulfil his hopes. This is because of the limited number of classes offered at a school of this size. However, in the junior and senior years, students have the opportunity to put their skills to the test by joining the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America.

Diane Gorrell said, "V.I.C.A. has given me an opportunity to begin a career I would never dreamed of learning."

This program allows students to apply their skills in a supervised situation. It gives students the chance to take on responsiblity and receive the on-the-job-training necessary in vocational fields.

In order to participate in this program, a student must take I.C.T. class. Then they work under the supervision of trained observers. These students are automatically members of the V.I.C.A.

One of the major accomplishemnts of the V.I.C.A. this year was the establishment of a fund to help Dennis Holloway during his hospitalization. Also, the V.I.C.A. sponsored a dance at the beginning of the year. However, the most important aspect of the V.I.C.A. is that it offers students the opportunity to work, a great asset to any student preparing for life in today's world.

LARRY KONGSLEIN, GARY Fetter, Edward Cain, and Mike Firth pause to inspect a machine during a tour of a local industrial complex. *DEBBIE HALL, LINDA* Firth, Cathy Holloway, and Donna Inge take a much deserved break from working business machines. *WOODWORKING IS ONE* of the many facets of the industrial world exploited by David Ward, Jerry Wilson, Danny Goodson, and Bobby Firth.

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Members assist teachers

Basketball Night marked the highlight of activities for the Future Teachers of America. Careful planning went into the selection of the court, recognition of alumni, the court's presentation, and the climatic crowning of Miss Cindy Spruill as the 1972 Basketball Night Queen. Individual members tended to the details of organizing a dance such as obtaining a band. Profits from Basketball Night and a bake sale held at Mercury Mall went toward the establishment of a scholarship awarded to an outstanding senior member of the club. A major contribution of fity dollars was donated to the Dennis Holloway Fund. Three delegates from the local F.T.A. chapter travelled to Richmond where they attended the state F.T.A. convention. Darlene Ward finds being in the F.T.A. very rewarding. "You get to know the teachers better when you work for them." Although assisting teachers with such tasks as grading papers was not emphasized as it has been in years before, some F.T.A. members did help in their spare time. The F.T.A. functioned successfully as both a service and as a profit-making organization to uphold the ideals set forth in past years.

FRONT ROW: HILDA Sue Freeman, Sylvia Hudgins, Patti Cross, Pam Carmines, Darlene Ward Suzy Page. Second Row: Kathy Lawson, Brenda Carmines, Jackie Herman, Dee Vee Tracy, Sandr. Pride, Donna Wilson, Dianne Watkins, Back Row: Mrs. McClung, Dottie Jerd, Kathy Wyatt, Ing Himelright, Julie Forrest, Martha Hunt.

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EXHAUST HOOD BECOMES area of major interest during experiments in chemistry for David Verser, Betty Clark, Hilda Sue Freeman, Suzy Page, Rhonda Rollins and Claude Carr. *PAUL EVANS, ALONG* with Danny Oprisko, Eilleen Carmines, Nancy Freeman, Pam Carmines, and Steve Madre, contimplates a successful demonstration while sponsors make preparations. *PRESIDENT KEN EVANS,* vice-president Ruth Ann Hunt, treasurer Jody Henley and secretary Mary Gorde, are happy to take on responsibilities of science club officers. *TOMMY BLACKSTOCK PREPARES* to remove hot test tubes from the sterilizer with asbestos gloves as Viola Kent, Dottie Jerd, George Gage, and Debbie Carmines look on. *AFTER COMPLETING A* bulletin board on ecology, science club members Yvonne Wilson, Martha Hunt, Sylvia Hudgins, Brenda Carmines, Inga Himelright, and Cindy Hall are ready to retire.

"I thought it was pretty neat when Mr.Keimer spoke on whales."

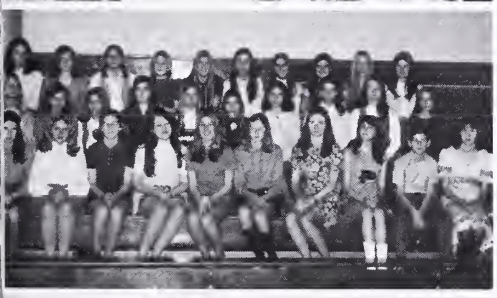
The Science Club's greatest accomplishment of the year was the Science Fair. There were a total of eighty-seven entries with four major divisions in Biology, Chemistry, Math and Physics. To instill interest in this new event, it was a requirement of Biology, Chemistry and Advanced Science courses to participate, and this challenge was met with both eager anticipation and drudgery. This was a new experience for most and its success brought recognition to the Science Club and the school.

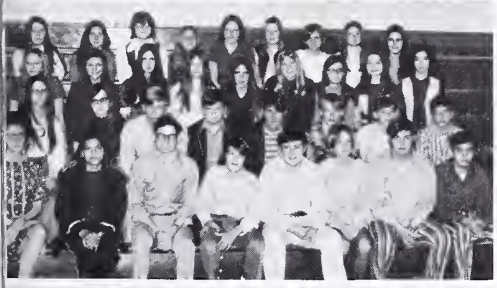
Occasionally, highlighting the meetings were speakers on various aspects of science. "I thought it was pretty neat when Mr. Keimer spoke on whales," said Debbie Carmines. Equally interesting was the discussion of plans for a weekend camping trip in May to Seashore State Park. Ken Evans, president, added "Next year we are definitely going camping in the mountains."

Robin Corely said, "It is a club which works hard for what it wants and can take dissappointments." Such disappointment came when plans for a camping trip fell through because of putting it off. But this was compensated by the May cookout at Grandview.

As we learn by our mistakes, higher goals must be set and more organization is desired of next years club.

KAREN BRYANT, CHRISTINE Johnson, Cindy Miller, and Martha Jordan enjoy the satisfaction of the football team's hard earned victory.





LAURIE BOOTH NOMINATES Sallie White for Pep club representative to Miss Islander Contest. *FRONT ROW: TOMMI* Davis, Linda Gysinger, Sharon Austen, Julie Forrest, Mary Beth Frishkorn, Dottie Jerd, Jackie Herman, Greg Wyatt, Karen Evans. Second row: Betty Clark, Martha Jordan, Christine Johnson, Terry Baker, Sandra Moore, Kathy Cloonan, Sylvia Hudgins, Martha Hunt, Kathy Kruger, Barbara Moore. Last row: Becky Phillips, Sandra Drummond, Laurie Booth, Perrie McMillan, Cindy Miller, Karen Bryant, Dee Vee Tracy. *FRONT ROW: MRS.* Potts, Pat Ingle, Kenny Evans, Donnie Freeman, Scotty Graghm, Jan Powell, Eddie Stoneberg, Joe Thomas. Second row: Ellen Moore, Annette Howard, Terry Daniels, Barry Bircher, Larry Bunting, Tony Martin, Jesse Wood. Third row: Phyllis Savchenko, Kathy Lawson, Sharon DeBerry, Carol Hibert, Joni Carr, Eileen Mitchell, Nancy Freeman, Debbie Carmines, Ruth Anne Hunt. Last row: Suzy Page, Hilda Sue Freeman, Jody Henley, Karen West, Sue Elmore, Brenda Moore, Pam Carmines, Ann Insley. *FIRST ROW: SUSAN* Carmines, Martha Forrest, Cynthia Page, Tanya Wright, Eileen Carmines, Pam Forrest, Mary Gorde, Second row: Patti Cross, Shelia Collins, Karen White, Yvonne Wilson, Kim Hopkins, Kathy Wyatt, Inga Himelright, Mary Beth Edwards. Third row: Lynne Freeman, Vickie Johnson, Fimiah Diggs, Anna Holloway, Mary Sikora, Teresa Forrest, Bev Burrage, Darlene Ward. Fourth row: Sarah Godwin, Donna Evans, Cindy Spruill, Julie Evenhart, Donna Wilson, Barbara Watkins, Cindy Hopkins, Kathy Lilly. Last row: Bobby Wood, Diane Watkins, Fawn Johnson, Libby Woolard, Cindy Wyatt, Brenda Carmines, Sally White, Becky Smith.

Enthusiasm rallied on the bus, remained alive to encourage the teams.

Although the Pep Club was formed to support the teams in athletic events, through spirit and enthusiasm, it somewhat fell behind and remained silent and unoticed on home grounds. Without unification, separation destroyed its' motives to cheer the teams to victory. Involvement was a bare minimum, which was typical of many clubs and organizations. Participation was inactive, with the exception of the large membership and president Fimah Lou Diggs feels that "Nobody wanted to get together."

The drawing card is that of pep club bus transportation to away football and basketball games. "We had a great time riding the bus," Beverly Burrage said, and Sue Elmore added, "That's where most of the pep was roused." Mounting spirit, contained within the bus, seemed to explode upon arriving at the game. Enthusiasm rallied on the way to games remained lively and did much to encourage the teams. "There is something about Islander pride that never dies." — Liz Conrad

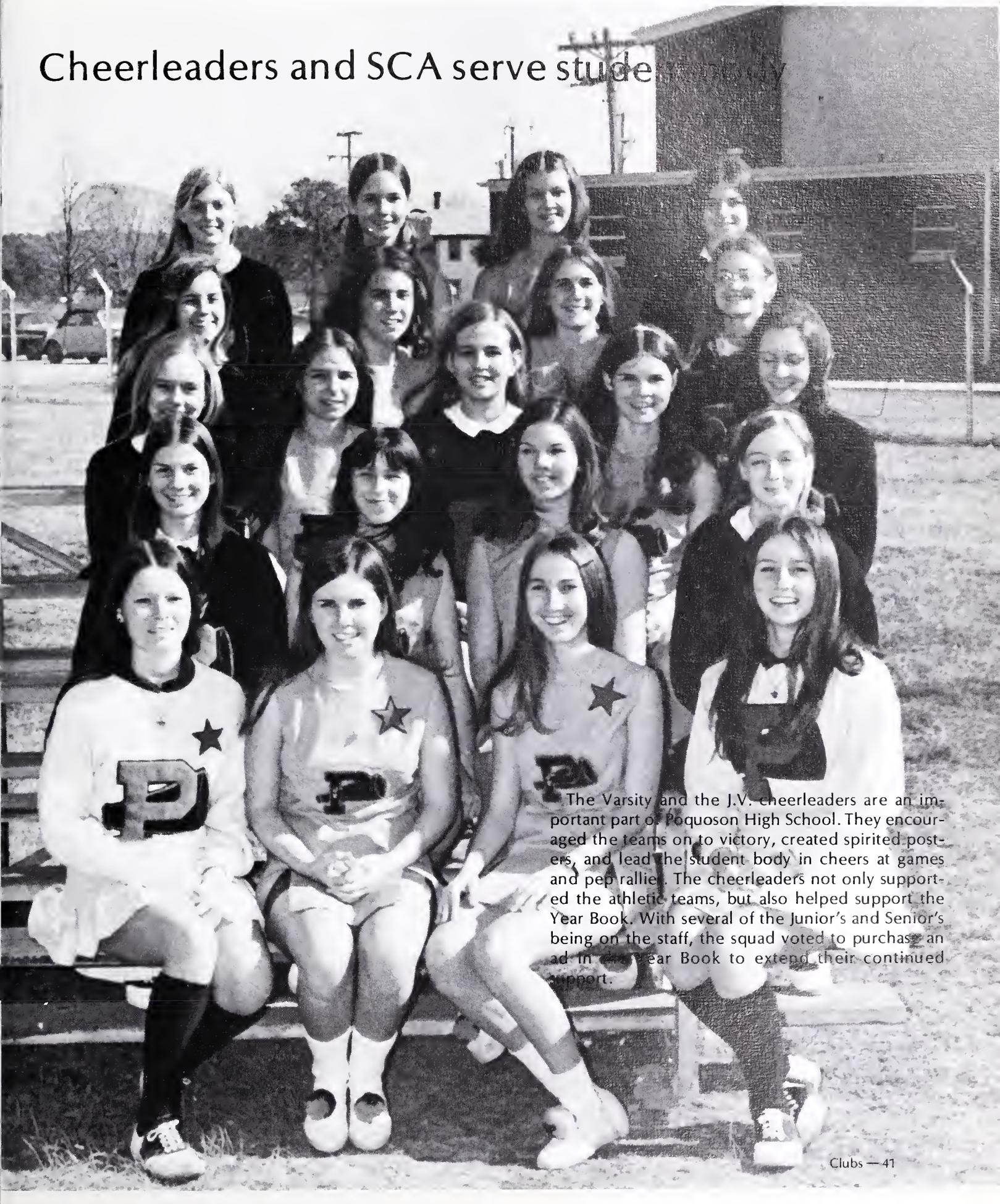
THE S.C.A. OFFICERS, Von Himelright, Pam White, Pam Carmines, and Jeff Lane work diligently in the College Catalog Room during their free time. *A PERFECT ILLUSTRATION* of normal activities in the Student Store is revealed as Kathie Wyatt engages in her usual antics while Inga Himelright attempts to restrain herself and "stick to business." *TOM BLACKSTOCK AND* Pam White plunge into a frantic search for a book.

This year the S.C.A. compiled quite an outstanding list of accomplishments. The year was marked by projects for the benefit of people who do not attend P.H.S. Prime examples of this are the Toys for Tots campaign and a paper drive. However, the main function of the S.C.A. is to serve the student body. Paralleling this idea is the list of projects carried out strictly for the benefit of the student body. Such projects as the establishment of the Student Store and College Catalog Room and Compiling the Student Directory and Student Handbook typified the S.C.A.'s activities.

Also, the S.C.A. brought speakers into the school to further inform students. A man from the Selective Service spoke to the junior and senior boys on the subject of the draft. Perhaps the most important achievement of this year's S.C.A. was the idea of Career Night. This project, co-sponsored by the Beta Club, brought several speakers to Poquoson to speak on job opportunities.

The S.C.A. also worked toward the theme of school beautification through their efforts with Clean-Up week and improving the condition of the student parking lot. The S.C.A. also sponsored several dances. The Holly Ball and a dance for 6, 7, and 8 graders were major achievements. The S.C.A. only hopes that next year the student body will appear more enthusiastic towards the S.C.A. and its functions.

Cheerleaders and SCA serve stude



The Varsity and the J.V. cheerleaders are an important part of Poquoson High School. They encouraged the teams on to victory, created spirited posters, and lead the student body in cheers at games and pep rallies. The cheerleaders not only supported the athletic teams, but also helped support the Year Book. With several of the Junior's and Senior's being on the staff, the squad voted to purchase an ad in the Year Book to extend their continued support.

ATHLETICS

Adjusting played an important part of the athlete at Poquoson. Being a small school and a member of the Group A Tidewater District had many advantages and disadvantages. The true athlete could not specialize in any one sport. He had to be able to participate in two or three different sports. There were 250 boys eligible for participation in nine different fields of competition. The school also offered two girls' teams with the addition of the girls' softball team. The number of teams offered at Poquoson High surpassed all the other schools within the Tidewater district.

Many hours of practice and time were spent by the boys participating on teams and by the coaches of the teams. Some boys practiced individually after regular practice

essions had ended. Self-discipline and sacrifices were the prices those who participated paid. Their rewards proved to be numerous. Beside winning team records there were district, regional and state championships won by some of the individuals.

On the whole, the athletic program made tremendous improvements. The teams had either equaled past records or, in most cases, had greatly improved them. The progress made the students start thinking "championship." With this, the student brought more support, not only financially, but in the form of participation. Student participation is what kept the athletic department functioning to its fullest capacity and is the reason for its success.

"Camp was really great - especially the food!"-

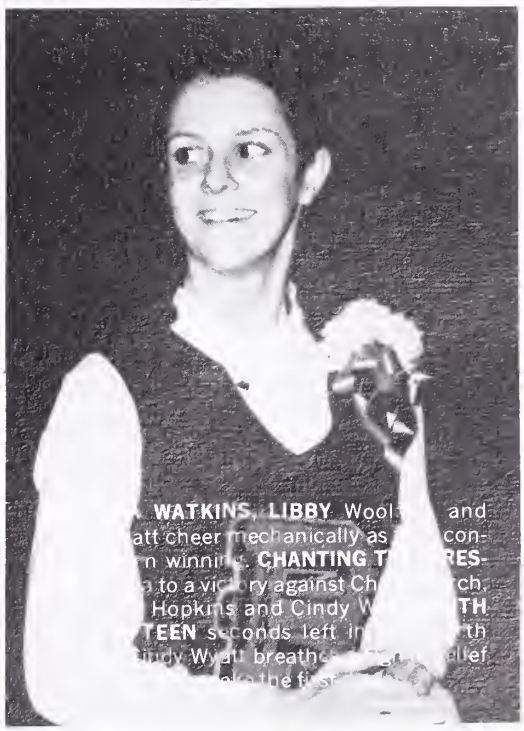
AS A SECOND year member of the squad, Cindy Hopkins urges a little more spirit from the fans as the Islandes tromp over King William at Homecoming.

With tryouts came tension, anticipation, and uncertainty. "The week of practice was fun until the actual day of tryouts came," said co-captain Diane Watkins. The results announced a three-fourths new squad, prepared to take on the tasks of being a cheerleder. Mrs. Clark, the sponsor, said "With the immaturity of the squad, we were prepared to face the upcoming problems of the new school year." The trials of selling candles brought the first disappointments into view. "Raising money for cheerleading camp is hard," remared Donna Wilson, "especially when you can't go." Summer camp at Lynchburg College introduced new cheers and techniques to be learned. Brenda Carmines said, "Camp was really great — especially the food!" It was here that the conflicts and lack of unity first divided the squad.

The anxieties of spring tryouts appeared once again with the first pep assembly. "I really looked forward to the pep rallies after the first initial scare was over," said Sallie White. Among the favorites of the student body were stunts and class yells. Skits presented somewhat of problem, however, in that there is a lack of integration and the limited supply of skits was exhausted as winter sports began. The newness of victory was something to be conquered by all, but such a welcome challenge was eagerly met. According to Libby Woolard, "Winning made you feel really good and boosted spirit in cheering."

Winter shifted the sports center from outside to the school gymnasium. Chaos rose out of the difficulties of a split squad cheering for two teams. Co-captain Cindy Spruill feels that "There was no organization in areas such as scheduling and cooperation, and practices were generally a waste of time." Toward the end of the season a lack of enthusiasm was for the most part a dominant characteristic. Coach Campbell said, "I was never more disappointed in a group of girls as I was in this years cheerleaders, both for their lack of support in going to state and their attitude." A reflection of the year shows adjustments made, rules and standards strengthened and revised and as Fawn Johnson puts it, "Our differences were settled."

JUNIOR SAL[illegible]ws her own version of a por[illegible] in the usual antics before a pep [illegible] **CHEERLEADERS POSE** in their favor[illegible]on of stunts — co-captains, Cindy [illegible] and Diane Watkins, Cindy Hopkins, Liz [illegible]ad, Donna Wilson, Libby Woolard, Cindy [illegible]att, Barbara Watkins, Brenda Carmi[illegible]llie White, and Fawn Johnson.



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TOP ROW: COACH Roberts, Coach K[illegible] Steve Thorne, P[illegible] McPherson, M[illegible] Jerry Wilson, Grayson Bunting, Billy Inge, Tommy Messick, David Guthrie, Robbie Clark[illegible] Fay. Middle Row: David Worm[illegible] Paul Bryan, Paul Campbell, Wesley Stephens, David Ward, Edward Cain, John Quinn, Randy Luten, Greg McDaniel, Kevin To[illegible] Coach [illegible] Row: Danny Diggs (mgr.), Joe Elder, Nathan Forrest, Von Himelright, Chris Brauer, Bubba Jones, Rob Booth, David Verser, Danny M[illegible] Scott [illegible] Patsel

TOP GROUND GAINER, Jerry Wilson, again makes the vital first down.

WINNING ... A new look in football

The Poquoson High School Islanders began their 1971 football compaign with good prospects for a winning season. For the Islanders, 1971 was a memorable year.

Poquoson High varsity football team had something different in store: winning!! Ending a long losing streak was a welcome change for the players and fans alike.

It all started with the beginning of summer practices, exercising, scrimmaging, and running sprints in 90° heat prepared the boys for the upcoming season.

"I hated summer practices." — Paul Campbell

"First day out, it was amusing to watch the players' reactions when Raymond Pett got his teeth knocked out." — Coach Roberts

Long practices, demanding coaches, and numerous injuries were sustained only because of determination.

"The raunchy field houses and equipment really lowered our attitude." — Paul Campbell

"The attitude toward the first game was very good. The players were really psyched out. Coach Evans told us we could have a good season if we put our mind to it, and we did." — Rob Booth

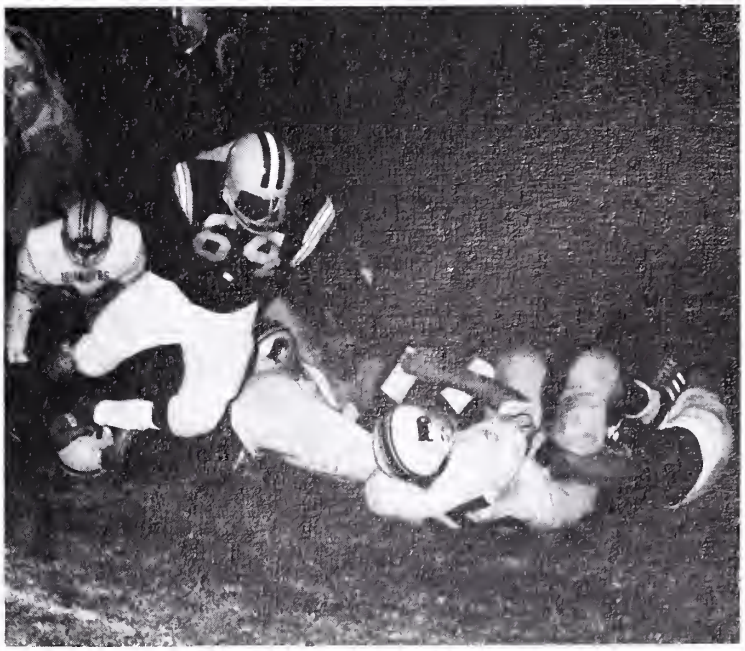
"The players realized that they had disappointed their supporters following their first defeat." — Coach Evans

The team rebounded however, following the loss to Mathews by convincing themselves as well as their coaches and school that they could get the job done.

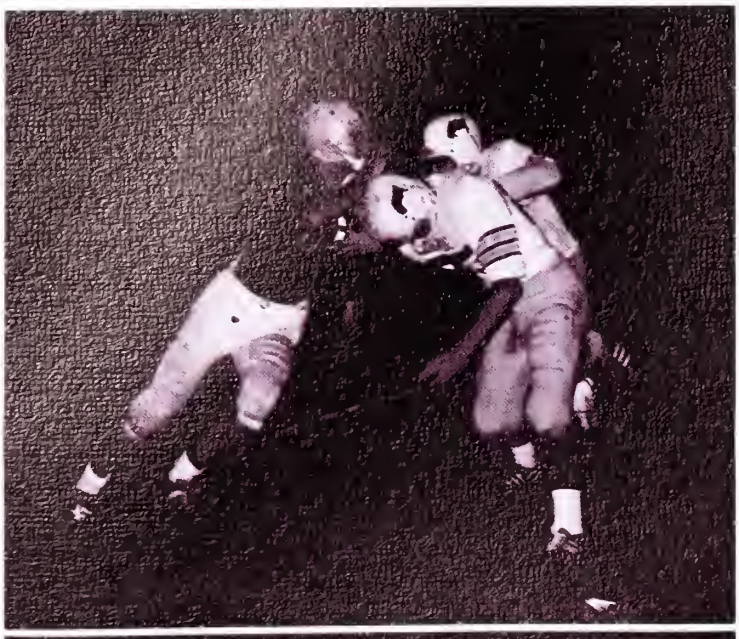
Since the regrouping of Poquoson into the "A" Conference league, it required the Islanders tc travel many exhausting miles from home.

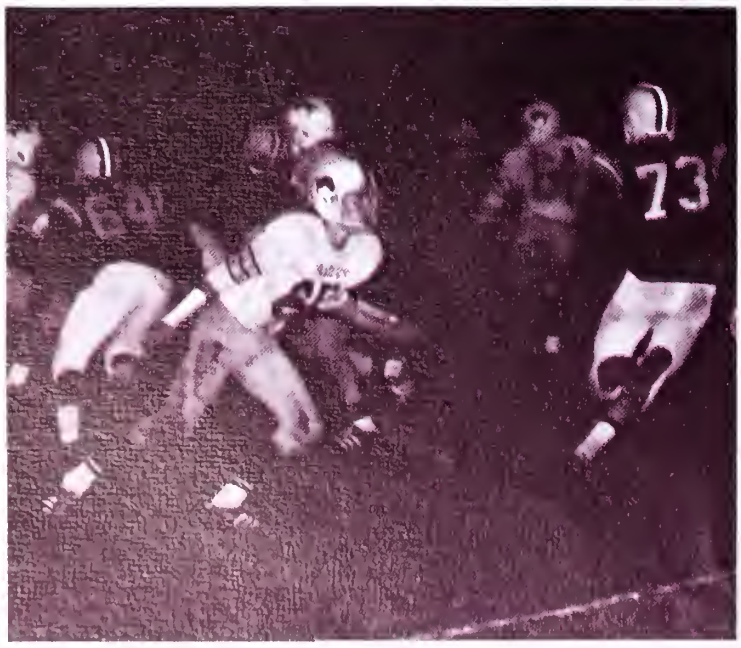
"The long rides didn't take away from our attitudes; we thought football." — Greg McDaniels

"Out on the field the attitude was as well as could be expected, but in the field house the attitude changed. Although it began in fun, a few of the guys got their feelings hurt from some harsh words that were passed." — Danny Diggs, Mgr.



KEVIN TOPPING SPRINTS around end for a long gain. **NATHAN FORREST STANDS** with varsity managers, Dave Gardy and Danny Diggs as he prepares to re-enter the game. **JERRY WILSON IS** is downed after a short gain.





Ward earns 1st team all-district as Bulls win four

David Wards efforts and determination brought him first place in all district split end and line backer.

"He really deserved it." — Coach Evans

"Good Googa mooga!" — David Ward

"He has been with us for 4 years and has worked really hard for his honors." — Coach Evans

The Islander team was praised greatly by their fans and coaches alike for their enormously improved record of 4-4-1 over previous years.

Inspite of injuries which seem to plague every football team, the Islanders came out on top.

"I think experience was one of the stronger points the boys had this year." — Danny Diggs, Mgr.

Experience, drive, determination and support, all combine to make a good team. Supporters were with the Poquoson team all the way in 1971, contrasting to last years pitaful show-outs.

Drive and determination kept the team moving throughout the season.

"We knew we had to win and we did." — Jerry Wilson

Although the 1971 record for the Islanders may seem a poor one to some, it showed 4 months of hard work and a much desired goal for those involved!

WADE TRUMP PURSUES the ball carrier, in an attempt to tackle. **BUBBA JONES AND** teammates watch from the side lines as the second string get a chance for action. **PAUL CAMPBELL AND** Rob Booth plug up the hole as the opposing team tries to advance the ball.

DAVID WARD TAKES practice pass prior to the upcoming game.

VARSITY FOOTBALL

4-4-1

WON	LOSS	TIE
Charles City		40-14
Mathews		0-49
King & Queen		44- 8
Powhatan		12-25
Barry Robinson		22-12
King William		22-18
New Kent		6-25
West Point		0-40
Middlesex		6- 6

"Fruitcake and Hummingbirds"

Serving as Co-Captains for the varsity squad were seniors Von Himelright and Pat McBride. Von, a forward for the Islanders since his sophomore year, was the team's leading scorer with a 16 points pergame average. Pat, a second year player, was an alert playmaker who also had outstanding scoring nights during the season.

Prior to his ineligibility, Mike Firth averaged 10 points a game and was a leading rebounder. Two additional members of the team, Vern Dennis and Glenn Rollins, were excellent defensive players.

"Fruitcake and the Hummingbirds" provided the athletes with a diversion following strenuous practice sessions or return trips from away games. The group, led by Mike "Fruitcake" McGraw, felt their most popular song was "Smokey the Bear."

"I enjoyed the entertainment by "Fruitcake and the Hummingbirds." Glenn Rollins

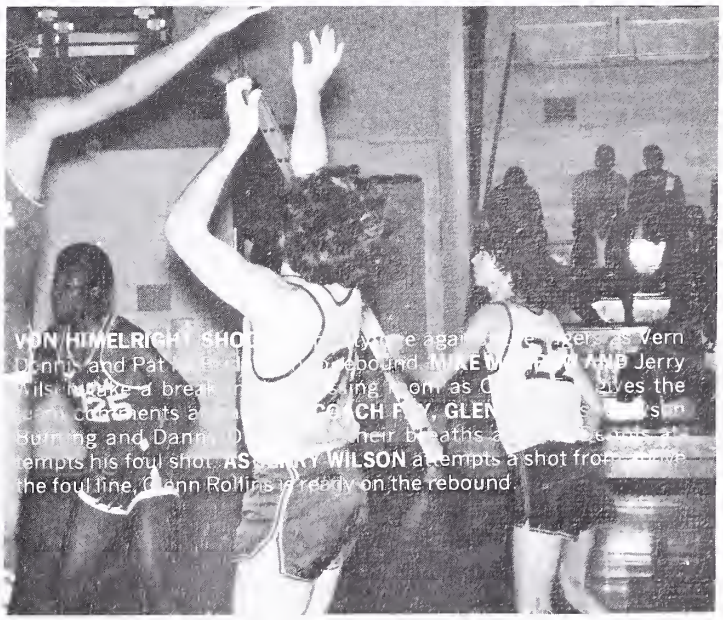
"They made the ride home a lot happier." Vern Dennis

One of the greater disappointments the Islanders faced this season was their inability to reach the tournament. Hopefully next year's squad with its large number of returnees will be able to accomplish this feat. The last boys' basketball team to make the tournament was the 1968-69 squad.

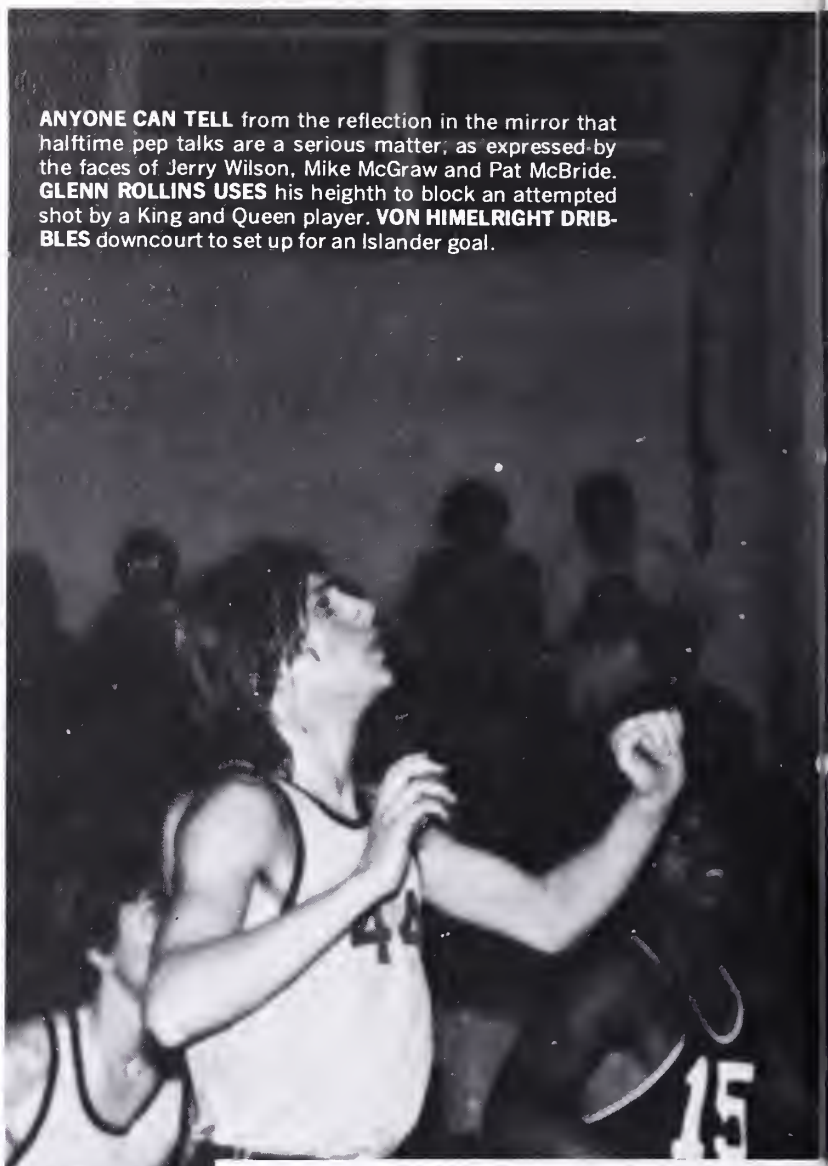
Experience will be next year's key word with Grayson Bunting, Vern Dennis, and Glenn Rollins returning to form the nucleus of the team.

QUICK AS A flash, Pat McBride zeros in from the side of the basket to give Poquoson a 2 point lead. **POISED IN ACTION,** Von Himelright anticipates a good free throw at the foul line. **GLENN ROLLINS STRETCHES** high to block a shot as Vern Dennis and Von Himelright move in to cover their men. **EVEN WITH HIS** heighth, Glenn Rollins strains for a layup as his opponent puts up a good block.

BOTTOM: BOBBY BRYANT, Grayson Bunting, Pat McBride, Danny Diggs (Mgr.), Jerry Wilson, David Forrest, and Mike McGraw. Top: Glenn Rollins, Von Himelright, Vern Dennis, Tom Fay (Coach), Randy Luten, Mike Firth, and Garry Bunting.



VON HIMELRIGHT SHO[illegible] again[illegible] as Vern Dennis and Pat [illegible] rebound. **MIKE M**[illegible] **AND** Jerry Wilson **MAKE** a break[illegible] as C[illegible] gives the team comments a[illegible] **COACH FAY, GLEN**[illegible] Bunting and Danny D[illegible] their breaths a[illegible] tempts his foul shot. **AS** [illegible]**RY WILSON** attempts a shot from [illegible] the foul line, Glenn Rollins is ready on the rebound.



ANYONE CAN TELL from the reflection in the mirror that halftime pep talks are a serious matter, as expressed by the faces of Jerry Wilson, Mike McGraw and Pat McBride. **GLENN ROLLINS USES** his heighth to block an attempted shot by a King and Queen player. **VON HIMELRIGHT DRIBBLES** downcourt to set up for an Islander goal.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

Won — 6	Loss — 12	Tie — 0
King William		58-46
Peninsula Catholic		62-52
Charles City		72-53
West Point		42-75
Mathews		62-80
L.P. Jackson		68-81

Middlesex	74-87
Peninsula Catholic	74-60
King and Queen	59-45
New Kent	70-74
King William	63-73
Charles City	54-69
West Point	57-85
Mathews	50-87
L.P. Jackson	69-68
Middlesex	47-61
King and Queen	56-96
New Kent	48-88

Explosive start

The 1971-72 Islander boys' basketball team had a mediocre, though much improved, season. Under the leadership of Coach Tom Fay, the boys had an explosive start but experienced a losing streak at mid-season.

"The team was capable of doing more than the record showed." Jerry Wilson

Although the Islanders' record of 6-12 was far superior to last year's 1-15 slate under Coach Bill Ryczaj, the boys had mixed opinions as far as the way a new coach influenced them.

"I thought Coach Fay was fair and had no favorites." Pat McBride

"I didn't like the way things were handled this season. It wasn't strict enough." Anonymous

Coach Fay installed a faster moving game this season that proved to produce a more exciting offense.

"I enjoyed playing the faster type of ball this season because that is the way basketball should be played." Jerry Wilson

With a platooning system, not from choice but due to necessity, Coach Fay was uncertain of his line-up throughout the year. Key injuries this season were to guards Grayson Buning, Jerry Wilson, and David Forrest. Illness and scholastic records also caused team strength to fluctuate during the campaign.

"I like to have a consistent line-up through-out the season, but due to injuries I was unable to do this." Coach Fay

ISLANDER SENIOR, MIKE Firth jumps for a shot as Vern Dennis, Pat McBride and Von Himelright prepare for the rebound. **GRAYSON BUNTING PAUSES** for a brief moment of happiness as Mr. Fay emerges from a victory shower. **VON HIMELRIGHT TRIES** for a foul shot as Vern Dennis anticipates the rebound. **CURTIS SHAW AND** Patrick Ray express their happiness of an Islander victory as the team rejoices in the background. **GRAYSON BUNTING AND** Mike Firth prepare themselves for a Islander rebound.

PAUL CAMPBELL DOES a "whizzard" in an attempt to pin his opponent. **COACH TROUSDELL AND** John Quinn appear to be having a serious talk before the next match, while manager, Craig Messick looks the situation over.

"I think practices were better than matches"

The wrestling team posted a 9-6 record en route to their first winning season.

"To me this year's team was overall stronger than last years. We proved we were stronger by our record." — Coach Campbell

The wrestlers and their coach answered differently when asked about support.

"There was real good support even for some away matches. I think wrestling is finally catching on." — Coach Campbell

"I felt student support wasn't as good as it could have been." — Greg McDaniels

Many of our wrestlers had to sacrifice both their stomach and their time to sport a winning team.

"I think practices were better than matches." — Mike Elder

"I hated practice." — Steve Thorne

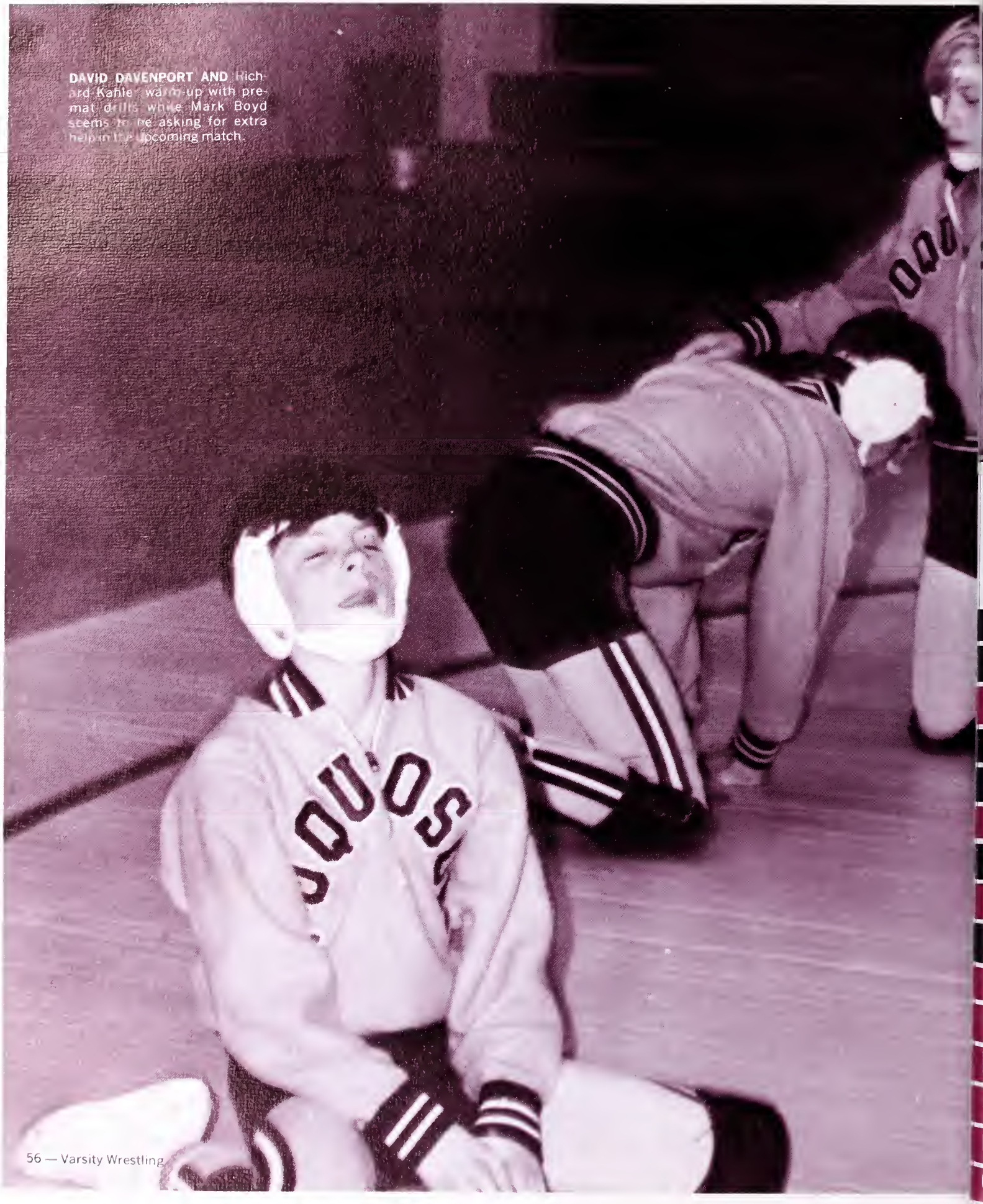
"The wrestling part of practice was fun, but the drills were torture." — Dave Davenport

Coach Campbell and team agree that, after two consecutive second places in state competition, they were at last ready to bring home a first place trophy.

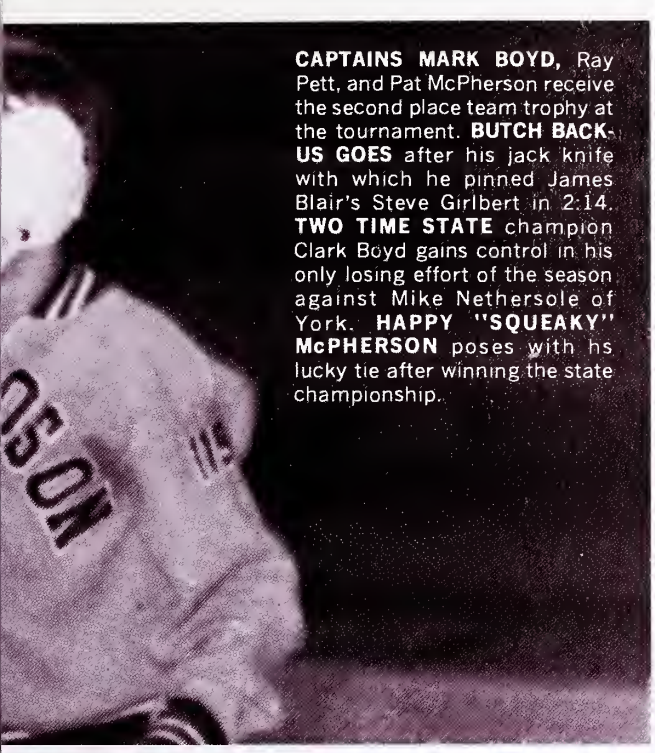
COACH CAMPBELL, TEAM, and bull mascot wait patiently for the next match to begin. **FRESHMAN, TOMMY MESSICK** appears confident after winning the team's first victory over James Blair.

MIKE ELDER TAKES down Fereando Lee of James Blair as he works to increase his winning streak to four straight matches.

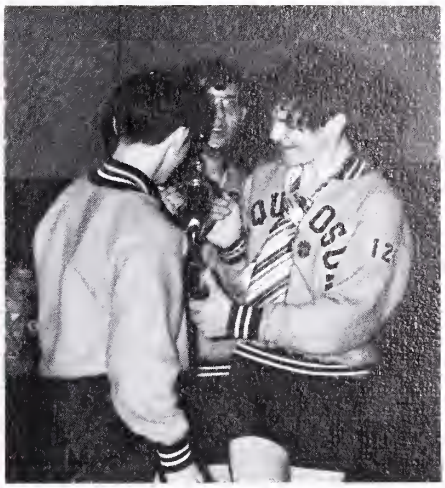
FRONT: MARK BOYD, Steve Thorne, Richard Kahler, David Davenport, Pat McPherson, Butch Backus, Paul Campbell, and Clark Body. Back: Coach Roy Trousdell, Chris Brauer, Mike Elder, Greg McDaniels, John Quinn, Ray Pett, Manager; Barry Russell, and Coach Al Campbell.



DAVID DAVENPORT AND Richard Kahle warm-up with pre-mat drills while Mark Boyd seems to be asking for extra help in the upcoming match.



CAPTAINS MARK BOYD, Ray Pett, and Pat McPherson receive the second place team trophy at the tournament. **BUTCH BACKUS GOES** after his jack knife with which he pinned James Blair's Steve Girlbert in 2:14. **TWO TIME STATE** champion Clark Boyd gains control in his only losing effort of the season against Mike Nethersole of York. **HAPPY "SQUEAKY" McPHERSON** poses with hs lucky tie after winning the state championship.



Content with second

The 1971-72 PHS wrestling team, under the leadership of Coach Al Campbell and Coach Roy Trousdell, placed second in this year's state tournament held in Damascus, Virginia. Coach Campbell and his team went to the competition with the confidence that they would return victorious. Due to the increased strength of their opponents, particularly VSDB, The islanders had to be content with second place.

"We were disappointed in a way, but VSDB sported twenty year old wrestlers on their team." — David Davenport

It seems that the wrestlers this year had to adjust to the fact that with age comes experience.

"We were only fifteen and a half points from first place and if we could've had three or four more third and fourth place winners we would have come away with first." — Coach Campbell

State champions in this year's tournament were Mark Boyd-98, Pat "Squeaky" McPherson-126, Butch Backus-132, and Clark Boyd-145. Steve Thorne was our only wrestler to capture second place, while David Davenport and Ray Pett finished third.

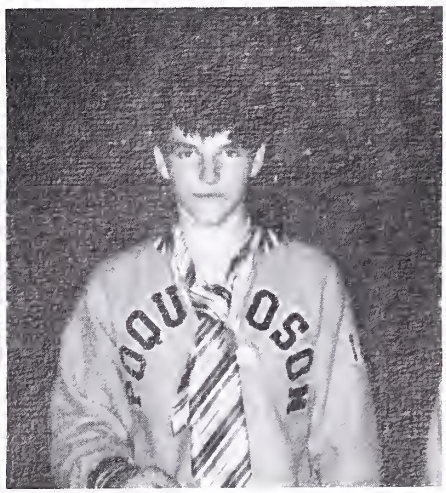
Next year the state tournament will be held in the Poquoson High Gymnasium.

"There is nothing like winning the State championship in our own back yard." — Coach Campbell

VARSITY WRESTLING

Won — 9
Loss — 6
Draw — 0

JFK	20-43
Pembroke	23-27
Highland Springs	44-17
Kecoughtan	27-42
Warwick	27-32
Frederick Military	38-15
JFK	32-24
Christchurch	64- 6
York	15-33
James Blair	36-24
Highland Springs	36-24
Kecoughtan	36-22
Walshingham	49-19
Frederick Military	40-12
Christchurch	64- 2



Disappointed girls denied play-off berth

The girls were denied a play-off berth, not because of their won-loss record, but due to a point system designed by the Virginia High School League, in the event of a tie. The New Kent Trojans came up two points ahead of the Islanders under this system.

"It was a raunchy system. I think there should have been a play-off, because this system doesn't determine who is best." — Jody Henley

"I think they should cancel that rule because it was unfair to our players because we worked hard to get this far." — Sue Elmore

The team selected Brenda Moore and Judy Carter as honorary co-captins for their performances during the season.

"They worked together and were the two most valuable players." — Tanya Wright

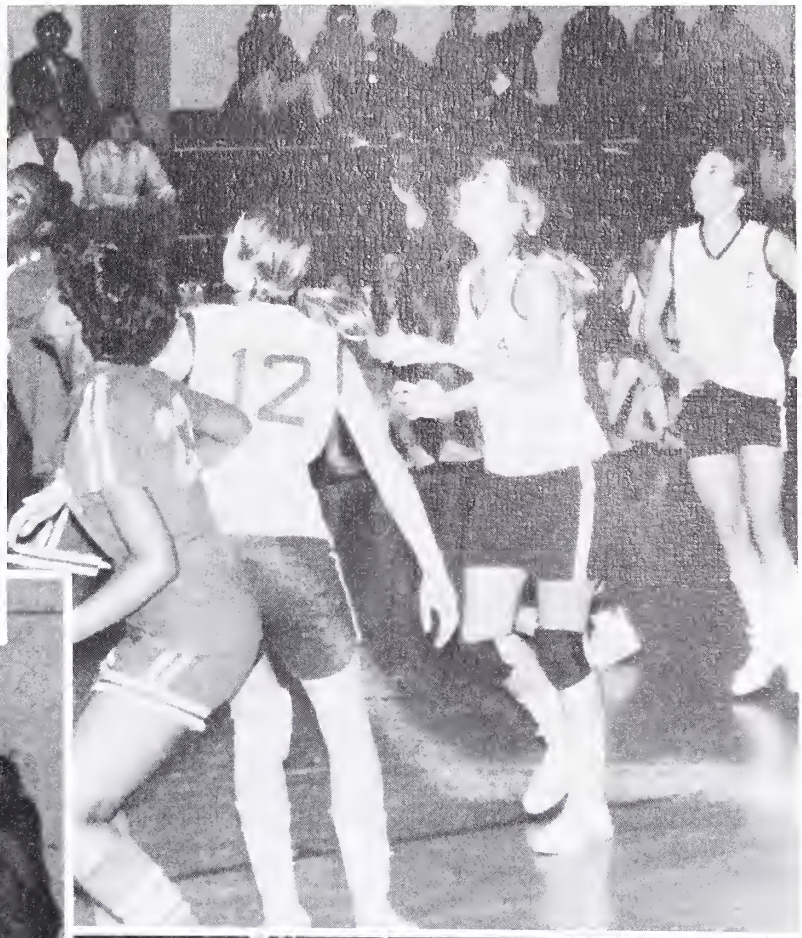
A 5-3 record for the girls was even more impressive due to the number of first year players on the squad. The starting line-up rotated between seven players with two of the starters freshmen, two sophomores, and three juniors, all players will be eligible to participate on the team next year, because no one will be lost to graduation.

"If we get 50 or more girls out for the team next year, we are going to win the championship." — Mr. White

This factor makes the future of the girls team seem brighter than in many previous seasons.

THE CHEERLEADERS AND the spectators watch as the girl's team mobs Coach White after another Islander victory.

FRONT ROW: PAM Carmines, Tanya Wright, Sue Elmore, Brenda Moore, Judy Carter, Libby Woolard, Joni Carr, and Jody Henely. Back Row: Mr. White, Karen West, Cindy Hall, Mary Beth Frishkorn, Ann Insley, Fawn Johnson, Carmon Forrest, Karen Evans, Mgrs., Dottie Jerd, Hilda Freeman, and Mrs. White.



TANYA WRIGHT WAITS for the ball as Libby Woolard, and her opponent jump to break a tie. **LIBBY WOOLARD, TANYA** Wright, and Sue Elmore wait for a pass from Brenda Moore. **MR. WHITE INSTRUCTS** his team to go out and Fight.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

5-3-0

Won	Loss	Tie

King William	32-25	Middlesex	27-40
Charles City	38-20	King & Queen	34-29
West Point	32-34	New Kent	41-43
Mathews	42-28	L.P. Jackson	38-30

MR. WHITE TALKS to his team during the King and Queen game. **SUE ELMORE IS** rushing to finish a 13 second lap during one of the girl's practices.

our success due to our new coaches

The 1971-72 girl's basketball team provided Poquoson High School with its first winning record of the year. Under new coaches Wayne and Lynne White, the girls posted a 5-3 mark, superior to any other basketball record at PHS for this season.

"I think our success was due to our new coaches. They influenced me to want to win." — Tanya Wright

"I think our system was pretty neat and I'm glad we had a new coach and young team." — Sue Elmore

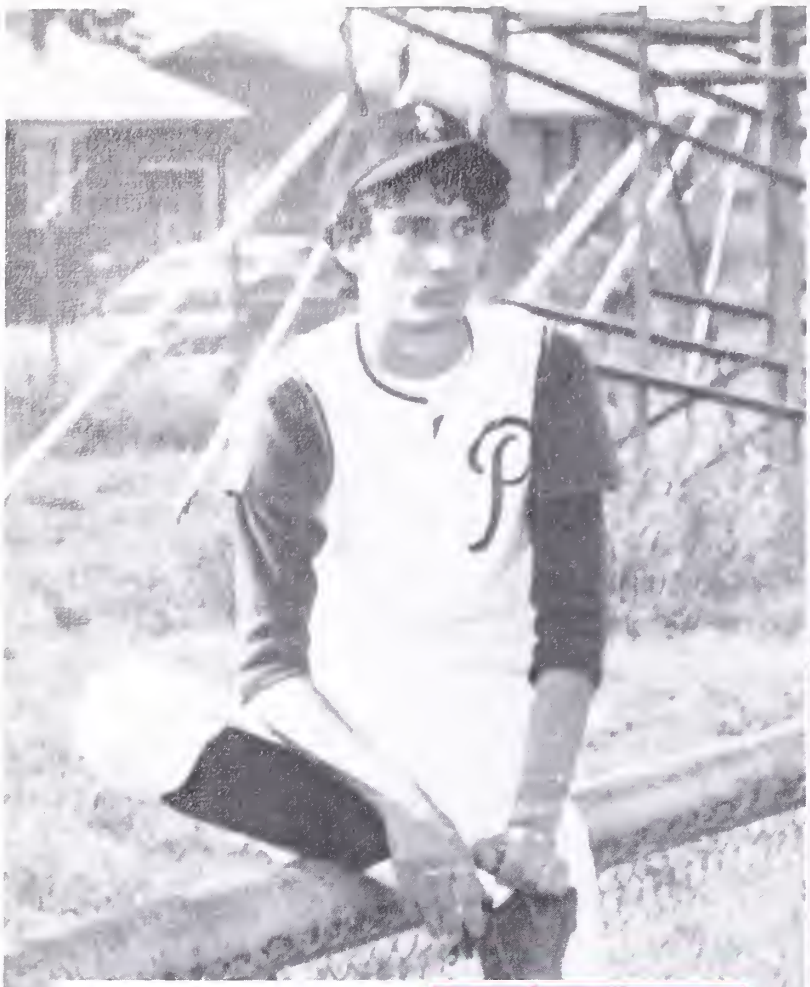
This year the girl's were represented by all district performer, Brenda Moore, at guard.

"I was very happy to represent the team in this way. I was shocked, not surprised when I was selected." — Brenda Moore

"I think Brenda deserved the honor." — Jody Henley

"I was glad Brenda received all-district, because she was a hard worker and a great asset to the team." — Libby Woolard

MARY BETH FRISHKORN, Judy Carter, Tanya Wright, and Jody Henley anxiously await a rebound against King and Queen Tigers. **JONI CARR AND** Fawn Johnson await the rebound during the halftime warm-ups of the New Kent game. **JONI CARR AND** Judy Carter try to block a shot made by a King and Queen Tigeress. **AFTER A HARD** practice, Karen West takes a quick rest while watching the action on the floor. **JONI CARR EXHIBITS** her defensive talents in the game against King and Queen, as the referee watches closely. **SUE ELMORE IS** anxiously waiting to get the rebound while Brenda Moore, Tanya Wright, and Libby Woolard wait for a pass.



VARSITY BASEBALL

Won	—	8
Loss	—	3
Tie	—	0

Lancaster	10-0
Walshingham	5-2
Walshingham	3-2
L. P. Jackson	6-1
King William	12-0
New Kent	3-6
Charles City	6-3
King & Queen	7-2
West Point	0-7
Middlesex	3-1
Mathews	1-9

The 1971-72 Baseball Team coached by Conley Wallace had an outstanding season.

"This is the best record in six years for the team. I think they did a real fine job. An 8-3 record over all."

— Coach Wallace

The team was very fortunate by having only one minor injury. All-District Center Fielder Ty Cobb was hampered with a pulled muscle late in the season.

"It was a very smooth season for the team."

— Coach Wallace

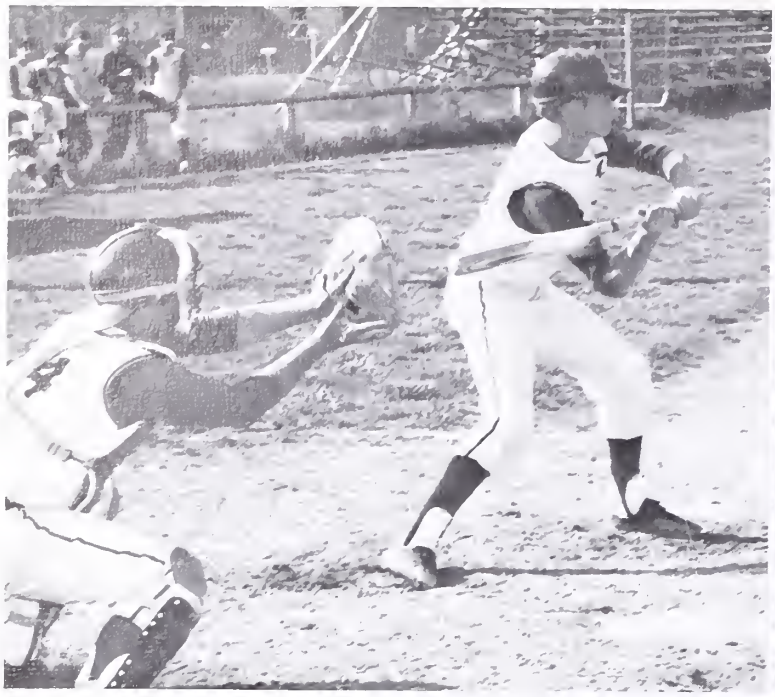
When questioned concerning his opinion on the team this year Captain Ty Cobb remarked, "There were many young players on the team and I think they did a good job. In a couple of years they should have an outstanding team."

Ty Cobb was chosen by District "A" coaches as All-District Center Fielder. When asked what he though of this title he enthusiastically replied, "I like it! I also think some other players from the team should have been on it."

When asked what he thought concerning the coach of this year's team, Von Himelright remarked, "Coach Wallace did a great job, he gets better every year!"

DANNY TEW PUTS the ball across the plate as Von Himelright hangs loose on first base, ready for anything.

VON HIMELRIGHT LOOKS weary from defeat at the hands of Mathews, 7-1. **MARVIN ROLLINS PICKS** off another one as Keith Goodson seems to be saying, "Ooh, that was a close one!" **COACH WALLACE TALKS** confidently to Captains Jackie Leeson and Ty Cobb of game plans. **TY COBB WATCHES** contently as King & Queen's pitcher hurls the ball across the plate.



KEVIN TOPPING DIGS in as he concentrates on getting a good clean hit. **TY COBB RUNS** with anticipation to first base. **BASEBALL TEAM 1971-72** Kneeling from l. to r. Brad Gillikin, Jimmy Winder, Danny Goodson, Von Himelright, David Ward, Kevin Topping, Danny Tew, Ty Cobb, Scott Bunting. Standing l. to r.: Kip Redick, Dave Gardy, Keith Goodson, Jackie Leeson, Marvin Rollins, Billy Inge, Robbie Clark, Mike Firth, Coach Conley Wallace. **MARVIN ROLLINS TAKES** on an easy trot into home plate; he knows he has it in the bag. **DAVID WARD HURLS** the ball to first base.

Baseball brings best record in six seasons to Poquoson High

CAPTAIN JACKIE LEESON shows teammates and spectators his batting style; while, captain Ty Cobb waits for his turn to do his thing, which just happens to be hitting line drives.

The Baseball Team worked hard after school everyday in preparation for the season. They entered their first game with enthusiasm but few fans were there to support them. Later the practices were sustained by sheer desire and determination, they were not out there for the glory because few fans showed up for their games. The team lacked support from the school at many games.

"Sometimes less than forty people showed up to cheer for the team."

— David Ward

Later in the season as the team became known as a winning team around school the support became better.

This lack of support did not stop the team from keeping up the spirit and having a winning season.

When asked what he thought of the team Jackie Leeson said, "When I look at this year's team and last year's team I would have put my money on the previous team. I didn't think we would do as good as we did, but I'm glad of the way things turned out."

Himelright gains honors in State Track Meet!!

Senior Von Himelright was able to gain much recognition for his outstanding abilities. Von's track prowess seemed evident as he led the team with his efforts in the high jump, long jump, triple jump, and high and low hurdles. During the season his efforts earned him "Most Valuable Player" honors in the Suffolk Invitational Meet and a state record of 44 feet 7¼ inches in the triple jump at state. Von also scored a total of 22 points in the state meet to enable the PHS team to capture second place.

Although Coach Fred Kimsey lost several hard working seniors, he is looking forward to the up-coming season. "This year's team was the hardest working one ever. I hope to have many returnees for our next season."

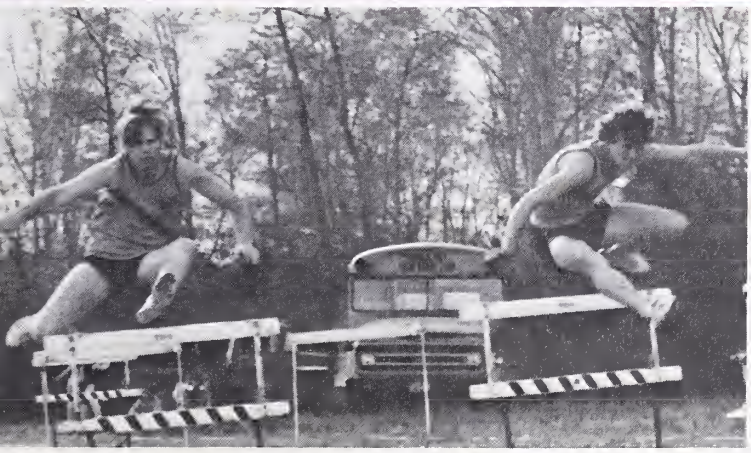
Coach Kimsey

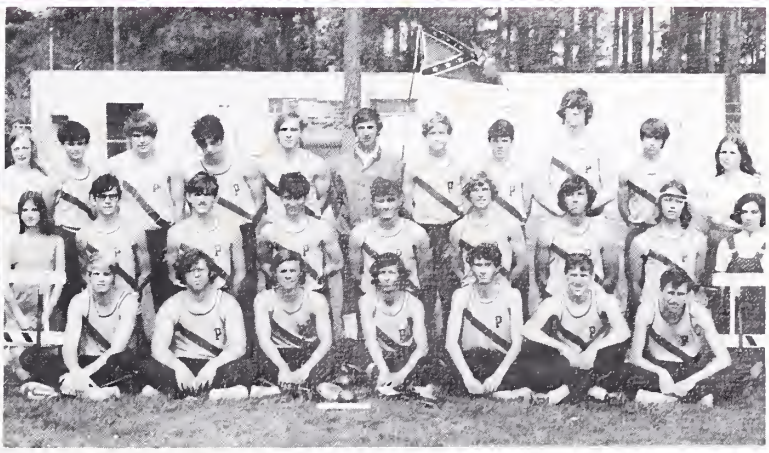
TRACK

Won — 4	Walshingham	72-53
	Suffolk	66-64
	Gloucester	58-70
	Lancaster	72-53
	Mathews	69-66
	West Point	67-69
	District Meet	1st
	Regional Meet	4th
Loss — 2	State Meet	2nd

COACH KIMSEY AND Chris Christman wait patiently to leave for the district meet. **SPRINGING WITH GREAT** speed Robbie Clark clears the low hurdles during the last event at the York district meet. **TURNING AND STRAINING** Mike Moore throws the shot in district competition. **YARDS AHEAD OF** his opponents Gary Hopkins finishes the 220. **WITH ROOM TO** spare Joe Elder clears the bar and takes 3rd place in the regional meet. **IN TEAM COMPETITION,** Rob Booth and Randy Luten approach the second heat in sight of the finish.

WITH THE FINISHING line near in sight Chris Christman finishes first and David Wormon second at Yorktown Intermediate. **WITH THE FINISHING** string in sight Von Himelright puts out the effort, but West Point still takes first. **TEAM STANDING: BARBARA** Watkins, Curtis Shaw, Kerrick McMillan, Joe Elder, Wesley Stevens, Coach Kimsey, David Davenport, Robbie Clark, Bubba Jones, Pat Ray, Debbie Carmines. Kneeling: Brenda Carmines, David Wormom, Chris Christman, Wade Trump, Greg McDaniel, Randy Luten, Mike Moore, Ed Evans, Ruth Anne Hunt. Sitting: Rob Booth, Ray Pett, Gary Hopkins, Homer Ketterman, Von Himelright, Danny McDaniel, Dennis Johnson.





CLEARING THE LOW hurdles with [illegible] Ken Himelright [illegible] 21 [illegible]

First-District Fourth-Regional Second-State

First place in district, fourth in regionals, and second in state — these achievements provide an accurate view of track 1972 at PHS.

Preparing for track season entailed 5 months of vigorous exercise, mostly depending upon the individuals own volition. "Most of us worked hard with everybody pulling for everybody and we depended on everyone to do their part." Von Himelright

Throughout the season student support remained low; although, the team maintained a 4-2 record. Many athletes and students attributed this missing factor to the sight of our home track meets. York Intermediate.

With a closely knit team, sharing responsibilities each had to do his own part. "The team worked hard, everybody pulled for everybody and depended on everybody to do his own share" Mike Moore. Although Von Himelright was one of the most outstanding in the group, other members of the team were able to gain honors and set records. Chris Christman, only a sophomore, broke a long standing school mark in the two mile. Other records were set by Greg McDaniel in the 880 yard run and Ray Pett in the shot put.

WITH NO ROOM to spare David Davenport clears the bar at the York High School meet. **DENNIS JOHNSON, A** freshman, grabs his hand and grins hoping that he will clear the high jump bar. **RANDY LUTEN TUMBLES** to the ground after his leap in the running board jump event. **RAYMOND PETT EXHIBITS** leverage and great force in throwing the shot. **LOSING YARDAGE, WADE** Trump gains his balance following his triple jump. **WEARING HIS TOOTSIE** cap doesn't hamper Wes Stephens running ability as he finds no match with Christ-church opponent.

Tennis added to Poquoson sports scene

The sports scene at Poquoson High added a new event to its agenda this year — Tennis!!

The school was formally introduced to tennis last year when the tennis quarts were completed.

"Poquoson had the best quarts of any school that we played. I only wish we had more of them." — B.N.

Although the 1971-72 tennis team started their season with eagerness to make a good showing; the season ended on a losing note.

"The inexperience of the team was the main reason for our losing record." —Jeff Herman

The tennis team lacked leadership from the seniors since Jeff Lane was the only one. All of the other teams we played were composed of Juniors and Seniors." — Bobby Nicholson

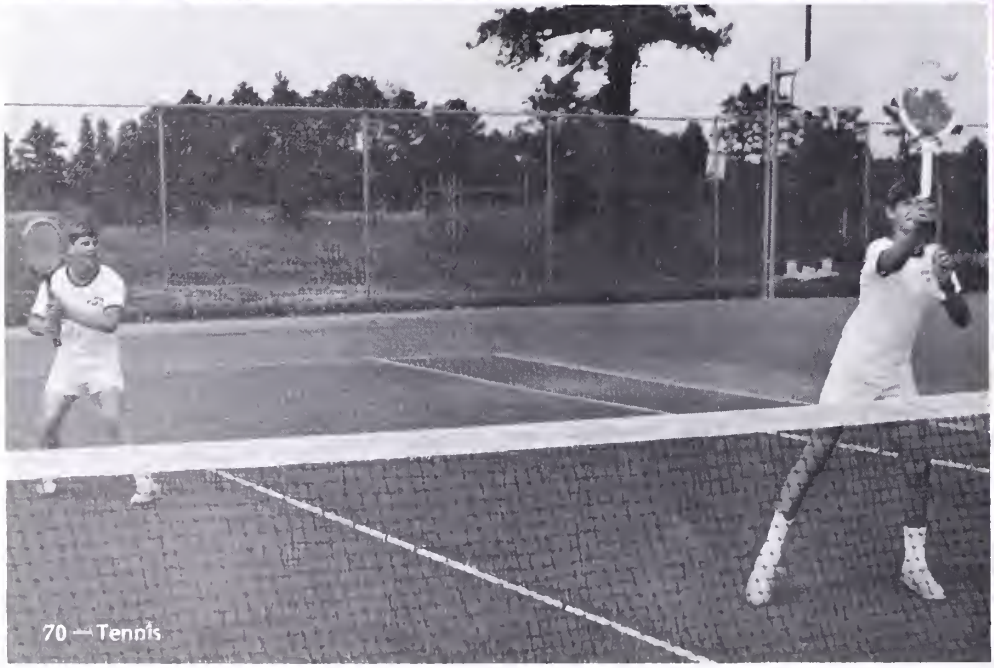
Coach Roberts, also new at tennis, worked with ten boys from March til May. Practices for Junior Varsity members or eighth graders, were held under adverse conditions, such as thirty degree temperatures at 7:30 in the morning. Dedicated Varsity members practiced everyday after school.

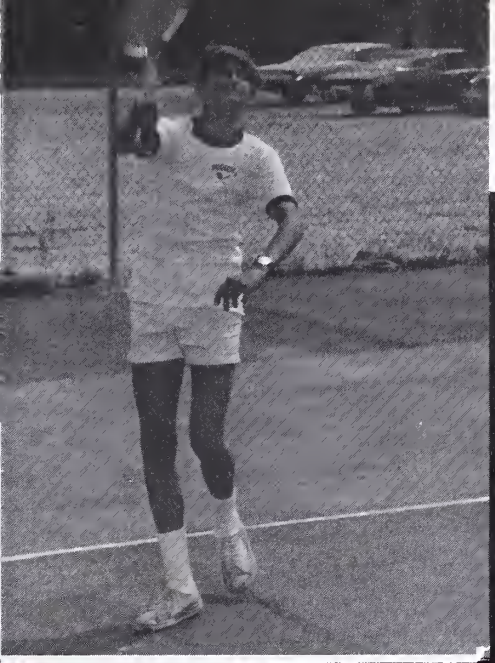
"I really enjoyed working with the boys. They put in a lot of time and hard work to form our first tennis team." — Coach Roberts

Due to limited space, Coach Roberts plans to cut the team to only eight members next year and have a fall program for seventh and eighth graders only.

"The team has a lot of potential. Tennis will really be something to look forward to in about three years."

AS RANDY LAWSON returns a serve, Jeff Lane studies opponents' maneuvers. *GARY LAWSON RETURNS* a serve as Bruce Parham prepares for a second volley. *BOTTOM: JESSE WOOD*, Coach Roberts, Jeff Lane, Mark Campbell. *TOP: BOBBY NICHOLSON*, Randy Lawson, Paul Evans, Blane Tudor, Bruce Parham, Gary Lawson, Jeff Herman.

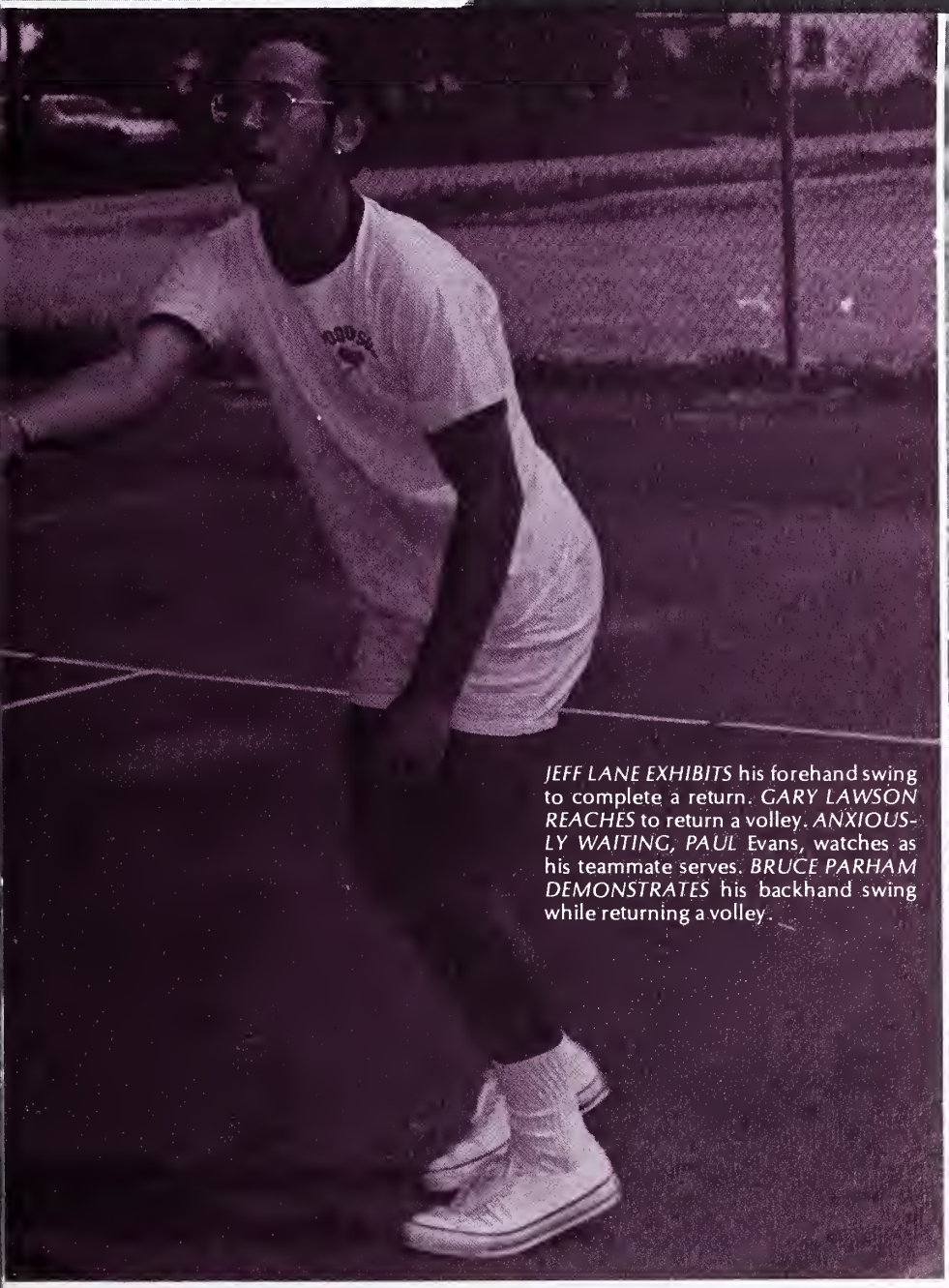




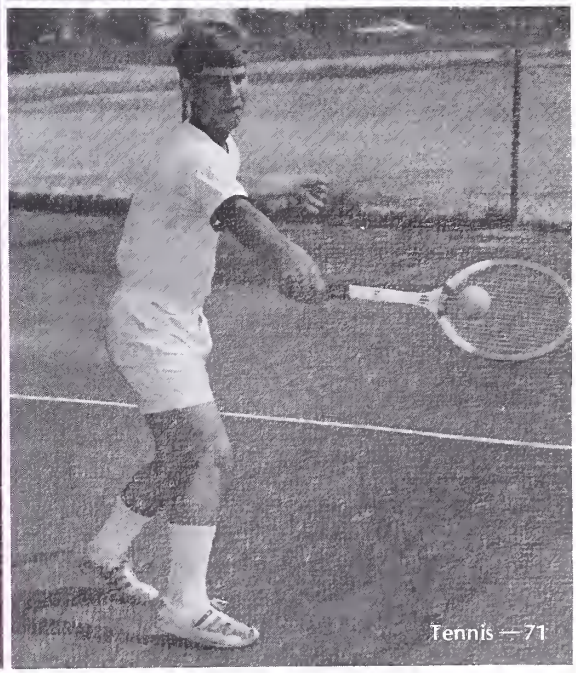
TENNIS

Won — 0 Loss — 10

Norfolk Catholic	0-9	Norfolk Acad.	1-8
Jefferson Davis	1-9	Hampton Roads Acad.	0-9
Frederick Military	0-9	Norfolk Acad.	1-8
Hampton Roads Acad.	0-9	Frederick Military	0-9
Norfolk Acad.	0-9	Jefferson Davis	3-6



JEFF LANE EXHIBITS his forehand swing to complete a return. *GARY LAWSON REACHES* to return a volley. *ANXIOUSLY WAITING, PAUL* Evans, watches as his teammate serves. *BRUCE PARHAM DEMONSTRATES* his backhand swing while returning a volley.



TOP: MARY SIKORA, Bev Burrage, Tanya Wright, Mudre Teresa Forrest, Eileen Carmines, Jackie Herman, Mary Beth Edwards. Bottom: Kathy Wyatt, Anna Holloway, Inga Himelright.

J.V.'s have a tremulous beginning

After a tremulous beginning in which three girls were removed from the squad because of their grades, the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders became an active ingredient of the sports scene at PHS. Usually in the shadow of the varsity squad, the group became a familiar sight at J.V. football, basketball, and wrestling matches, besides cheering for the girls' basketball team. The summer months found the J.V.'s practicing both at home and at a cheering camp held on the campus of Ferrum Junior College. Among the extra activities in which the goup participated were the Homecoming Parade and various pep rallies.

KATHY WYATT, INGA Himelright and Eileen Carmines pause a moment at the Basketball game to decide what their next cheer will be. **THE J.V. CHEERLEADERS** participated in the 1971-72 Homecoming Parade by radiating spirit to everyone they pass.

Detrimental forces act on J.V. SQUAD

Determination was the driving force of the Poquoson Junior Varsity football squad for the 1971-72 season. Although size and inexperience were detrimental forces, the boys continued to strive for their goal of a winning season.

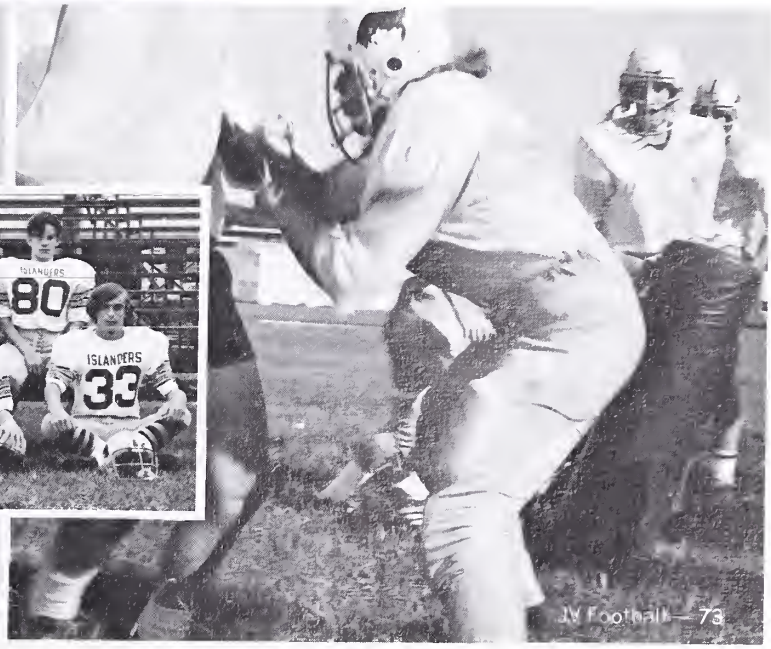
Opposing teams outweighed the Islander squad by an average of 20 pounds per person and outnumbered them by 3-1.

"We really had a tough time holding them back but at least, everyone tried his hardest!" — David Davenport

An unsatisfactory season was the outcome of all of the hard practices and games.

"Even though we didn't win any games, I still have much respect for each and every boy." — Coach Roberts

WADE TRUMP LEADS excercises for the Islander J.V. squad during a practice. **COACH ROBERTS HIDES** behind a punch bag as Paul Bryan practices hitting hard and Danny McDaniels renders some helpful coaching hints from the side.



Top: Robbie Clark, Doug Drummond, Tommy Messick, David Davenport, John Phillips, Brad Gillikan, Billy Inge, Forrest Tyndale, (Missing) Karrick McMillan. Bottom: Paul Bryan, David Verser, Danny McDaniels, Pat McPherson, Mike Firth, Dave Gardy, Scott Bunting.

"...I think they worked real hard."

Early morning practice sessions characterized the JV effort in their quest for a winning season. They exploited many drills such as dribbling, suicides, and layups in order to achieve their goal. With a record of 8-9 the JV's had to over come the loss of stand-out-forward Randy Luten to the varsity squad midway through the season.

Coach Wallace said, " . . . the team was handicapped with the loss."

Although the JV dream of a winning was not realized, their determination and ability was consistently praised by their coach.

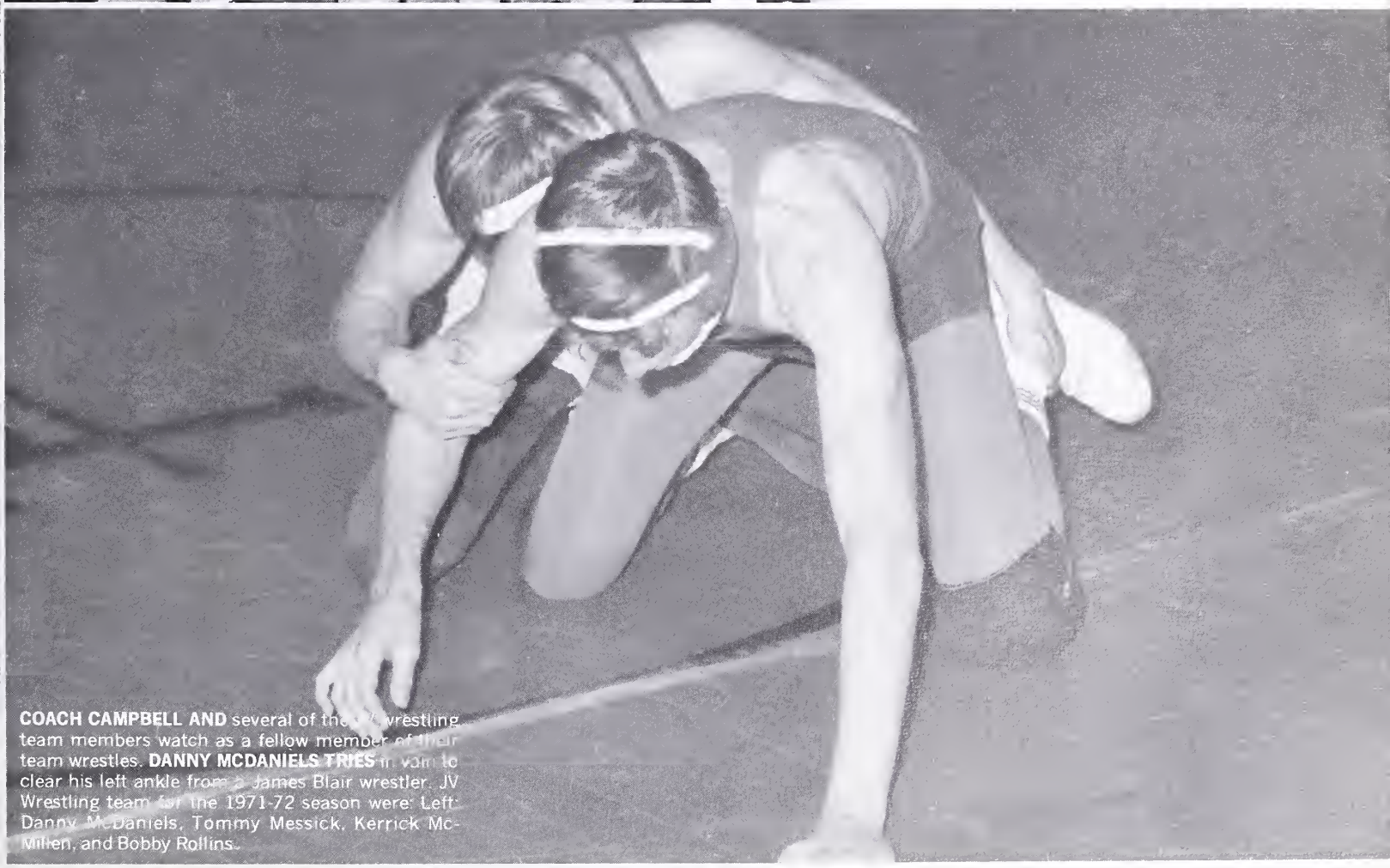
Coach Wallace stated, "We had some real good practices and I think they worked real hard."

JOE ELDER SHOOTS his first of two foul shots, trying desperately to tie the score. **COACH WALLACE, RANDY** Luten, and Doug Drummond discuss the various techniques to use in the last quarter of the game.

JV BASKETBALL PLAYER for the 1971-72 season were: Front Row: Randy Lawson, Tommy Freeman, Rob Clark, Greg Holloway, Marvin Rollins, Gerald Patsel, Jeff Herman, Bobby Nicholson. Second Row: Dave Gardy, Tim Elder, Wade Trump, Bobby Backus, Doug Drummond, Danny Tew, Roger Hastings, Forrest Tyndall, Billy Inge.

JV Wrestlers had to put up a good strong fight !

The JV wrestling squad, faced with the handicap that they did not have enough boys to make up a team, adjusted to the fact that they had to put up a good strong fight. They had to fight to hold the prestige they may have lost by wrestling only exhibition matches. Coach Campbell said, "One of their biggest handicaps was the lack of boys in school that were willing to put out enough to wrestle." Most JV wrestlers strived to prove their abilities in an attempt to ultimately gain a position on the varsity squad. Danny McDaniels said, "I was scared to wrestle the varsity matches because I was afraid I would lose."



COACH CAMPBELL AND several of the JV wrestling team members watch as a fellow member of their team wrestles. **DANNY MCDANIELS TRIES** in vain to clear his left ankle from a James Blair wrestler. JV Wrestling team for the 1971-72 season were: Left: Danny McDaniels, Tommy Messick, Kerrick McMillen, and Bobby Rollins.

Athletes receive awards for outstanding feats

The 1972-72 Islander teams were presented with numerous awards throughout the year.

Community organizations gave several banquets, while the school itself awarded qualified individuals with letters and trophies.

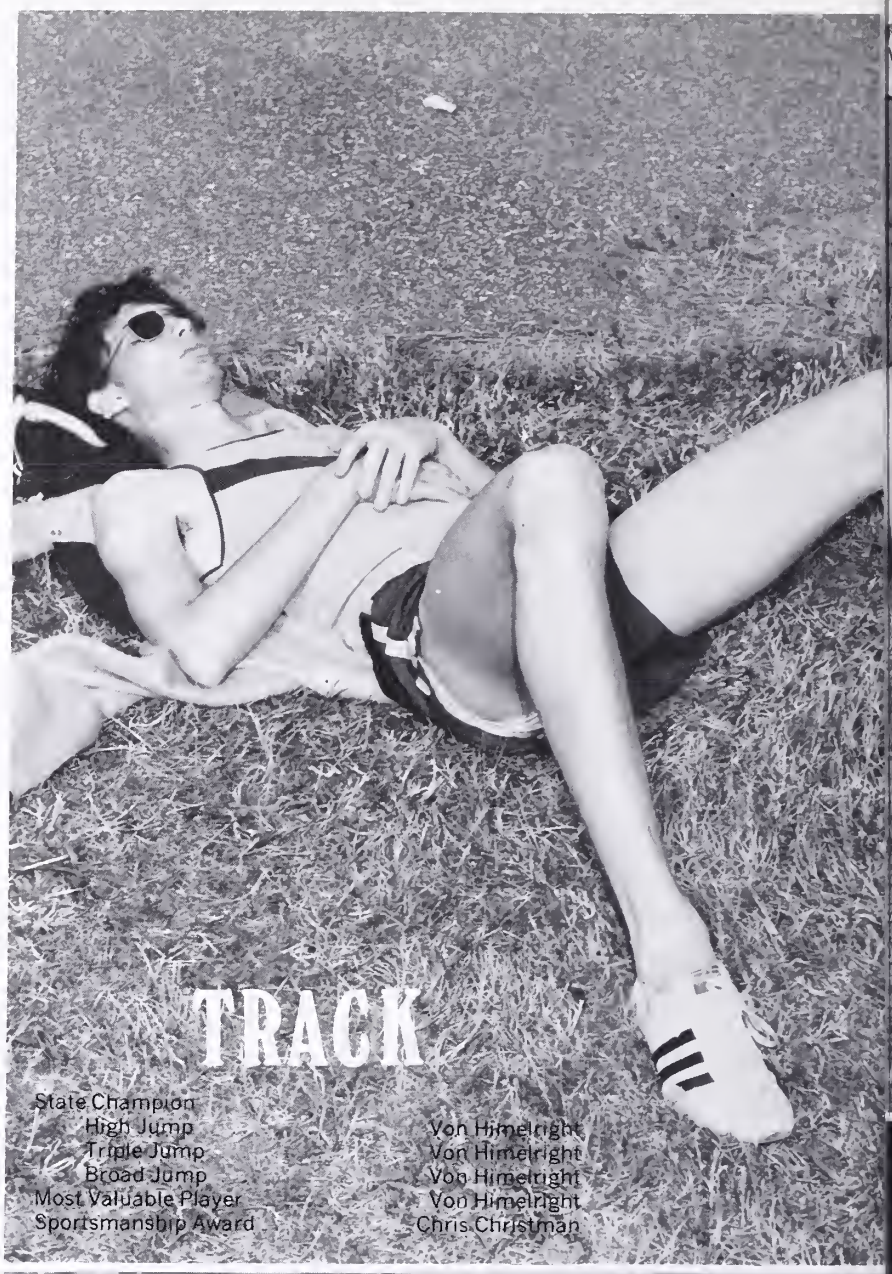
Poquoson's wrestling and track teams placed second in state; with 4 first place winners in wrestling and one in track. Mark Boyd, Clark Boyd, Butch Backus and Pat McPherson were state champions in wrestling; while Von Himelright took first in state with the triple jump, high jump and broad jump.

FOOTBALL

All District Offensive End	David Ward
All District Defensive End	David Ward
Most Valuable Player	David Ward
Best Defensive Back	Jerry Wilson
Best Offensive Lineman	Nathan Forrest
Varsity Sportsmanship Award	Marvin Rollins
JV Sportsmanship Award	Robbie Clark

BASKETBALL

Most Valuable Player	Von Himelright
JV Most Valuable Player	Joe Elder
Girl's Most Valuable Player	Brenda Moore
Varsity Sportsmanship Award	Bobby Bryant
JV Sportsmanship Award	Joe Elder
Girl's Sportsmanship Award	Brenda Moore
Girl's All District	Brenda Moore



TRACK

State Champion	
High Jump	Von Himelright
Triple Jump	Von Himelright
Broad Jump	Von Himelright
Most Valuable Player	Von Himelright
Sportsmanship Award	Chris Christman

J.V. BASKETBALL PLAYER, Randy Luten studies the basket as he prepares for his second shot.

CATCHING A FEW rays, state champion Von Hime (right) relaxes before the district meet.

BASEBALL

All District Center Fielder ..... Ty Cobb
Most Valuable Player ..... Ty Cobb
Sportsmanship Award ..... Ty Cobb

SOFTBALL

Most Valuable Player ..... Sue Elmore

TENNIS

Sportsmanship Award ..... Jeff Lane

SMILING TRIUMPHANTLY AFTER the L. P. Jackson game are — Top: Mrs. Potts, Joni Carr, Pam Carmines, Ann Reynolds, Betty Clark, Jan Powell, Paula Hunt. Middle: Dottie Jerd,, Toni Ezzell, Jody Henley, Sue Elmore, Brenda Moore, Cathy Current. Bottom: Marsha Wilson, Becky Phillips, Tanya Wright, Fawn Johnson, Cathy Lilly. **CLARK BOYD DEMONSTRATES** his famous guillotine on Pat McPherson as the two state champs hit the mat.

WRESTLING

State Champion 98 lbs. ..... Mark Boyd
State Champion 126 lbs. ..... Pat McPherson
State Champion 132 lbs. ..... Butch Backus
State Champion 145 lbs. ..... Clark Boyd
Most Valuable Player ..... Pat McPherson
Best All Around ..... Clark Boyd
Most Improved ..... Steve Thorne
Most Takedowns ..... Mark Boyd
Sportsmanship Award ..... Mark Boyd
Best JV Wrestler ..... Tommy Messick

Student Life

The development of the social life of the students was just as important as their mental development. Man is a social animal and can not isolate himself from others. A combination of social and mental abilities helps to round out a student in preparation for his later life. Adjustment is fully reached when a student can balance both social and mental development.

Involvement is a key word in student social life. Being a part of it, even if just a spectator. The excitement of going to the Prom, singing a solo, taking part in a play, building a float, and being crowned the new Miss Poquoson are learning experiences as well as those that can be shared and remembered.

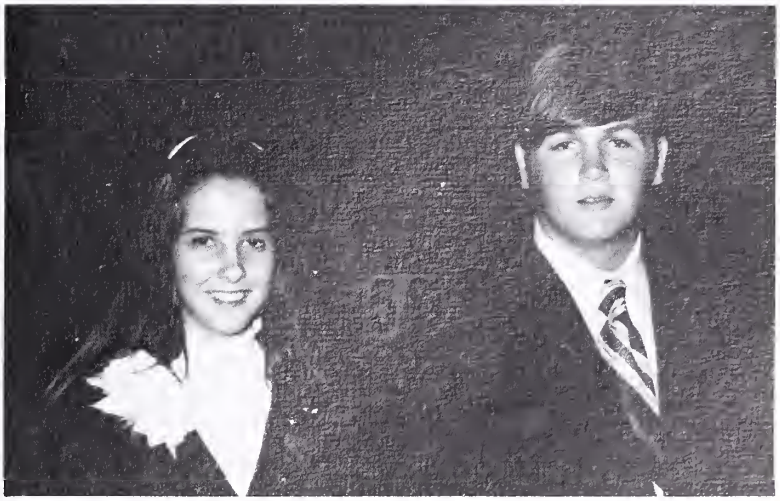
AS senior representative, watches the crowd as her car approaches mid-field [illegible] the halftime [illegible]w. *NEWCOMER, SARA GODWIN,* takes pride [illegible]ng chosen to [illegible]ent the senior class on the Homecoming cou[illegible] *ST YEAR'S QUEE*[illegible]ynthia Davis, presents [illegible]coming Queen [illegible] Cynthia Spruill, wi[illegible] bouquet of roses fol-[illegible]ng her crown. [illegible] *DD TO* the excitem[illegible] of the halftime show, [illegible]e majorettes display their talents with a fire rou[illegible]ne. *DAVID WARD IS* [illegible]ddenly stopped by King William defensive line as he attempts to capture the first down for Poquoson.

Queen Cindy reigns over first Homecoming victory in last seven years

After a hurried supper the spectators headed for the game anticipating the eventful night ahead. Rushing to claim a seat for the evening the crowd grew increasingly anxious to hear the announcement of the winners in the float competition during pregame activities. When the final decision of the judges was announced the Junior class proved victorious with their float "Lance the Cavaliers."

The team left the field for their half-time break and the band took the field. The band playing its halftime show with the theme of "Sound of Music" marched into the formation of a heart. Convertibles carried the girls in the court around the field and each girl was escorted to the center of the band's heart formation. The crowd, tense with excitement, strained to hear the announcer's every word. With a fanfare from the band the long-awaited announcement came . . . and the 1971 Homecoming Queen is Cindy Spruill! As the crowd cheered with approval Queen Cindy was crowned by Principal, James Carmines.

Highlighting the evening was the teams 22-18 victory over King William. For the teams first time in 7 years, they succeeded in claiming a win in a homecoming game.



DIANE WATKINS APPREHENSIVELY steps down to take the arm of her escort David Forrest as they precede to the field. *SOPHOMORE, TERESA FORREST,* catches the moment of thought as she waits for her presentation during the Homecoming program. *BOBBY BACKUS ESCORTS* Karen White to her position on the field where she as freshman reprresentative is to wait for the announcement of the Homecoming Queen '71. *KAREN BRYANT, EIGHTH* grade representative, escorted by Eddie Stoneberg beams proudly as she is presented.

A Touch F

Open The Gates To Victory

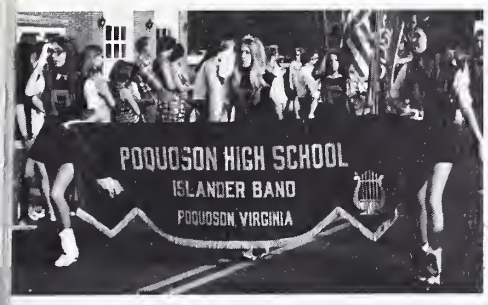
Burn The Cavaliers

Rack'Em Up

Confusion, embarrassment, rain, and sewerlines affect preparations for Homecoming Parade

Many problems hampered the preparations for Homecoming. Some of the main problems stemmed from a late start by the Beta Club in planning the event. Traditionally, a court member is elected to represent each class and the Senior class chooses three girls as candidates for Homecoming Queen. The Senior ballot went out and three girls were chosen. Two days later it was brought up that one girl's name had not been included and a revote had to be taken. This caused embarrassment as girls that were chosen and told that they had been, were not chosen the second time. After the second vote, the three girl's names, (Cindy Spruill, Sarah Godwin, and Pam White), were placed on a ballot that was issued to the entire school to determine who would reign as Homecoming Queen. The Queen was not announced until halftime at the Homecoming game.

All classes, as always, seemed to have a difficult time securing people to work on their class floats. Another big problem was the rain. Two weeks before Homecoming all it seemed to do was rain. This hampered float building greatly. One afternoon the Senior announcement read, "There will be no work done on the float tonight due to 6 inches of rain." Eventually each class was able to put together their float in time for the parade. Every year before the parade route was along Poquoson Avenue, from the old firehouse to the high school. On the morning before the parade, the parade route had to be changed because the road had a "hill" at the corner of Ridge Road and Poquoson Avenue. The "hill" was due to the sewerlines that were being installed throughout the town that left the roads a disaster area. In mass confusion the parade members were lined up for probably the shortest parade ever to take place. It served it's purpose however, as the keyed up crowd cheered the members on.



THE POQUOSON HIGH School Pallbearers march in unison as they present the Islander Band in the Homecoming parade. *POM POM GIRLS* led by Mary Victoria Johnson step through a brisk routine following the Islander Band preceding the Poquoson High Stepper *DESSIE FORREST, FEATURE* twirler, steps into a routine as the majorettes precede the Band. *JUNIOR CLASS MEMBERS* proudly parade "Lance the Cavaliers," there yet to be announce winning float. *THE BAND LED* by Danny Smith and Keith Miller opens our Homecoming parade with procession marching and exciting music.

SENIOR SQUEAKY McPHERSON is caught in the midst of a Sadie Hawkins feast with companions Paul Campbell and Fawn Johnson. *KEVIN RIGGINS* and Danny Moore appear ready for their fate as they anticipate "the chase."

SENIOR DEBBIE MERRILL looks plaintered out after a long hard run to catch "her man".

Girls attack boys for a change!?!?

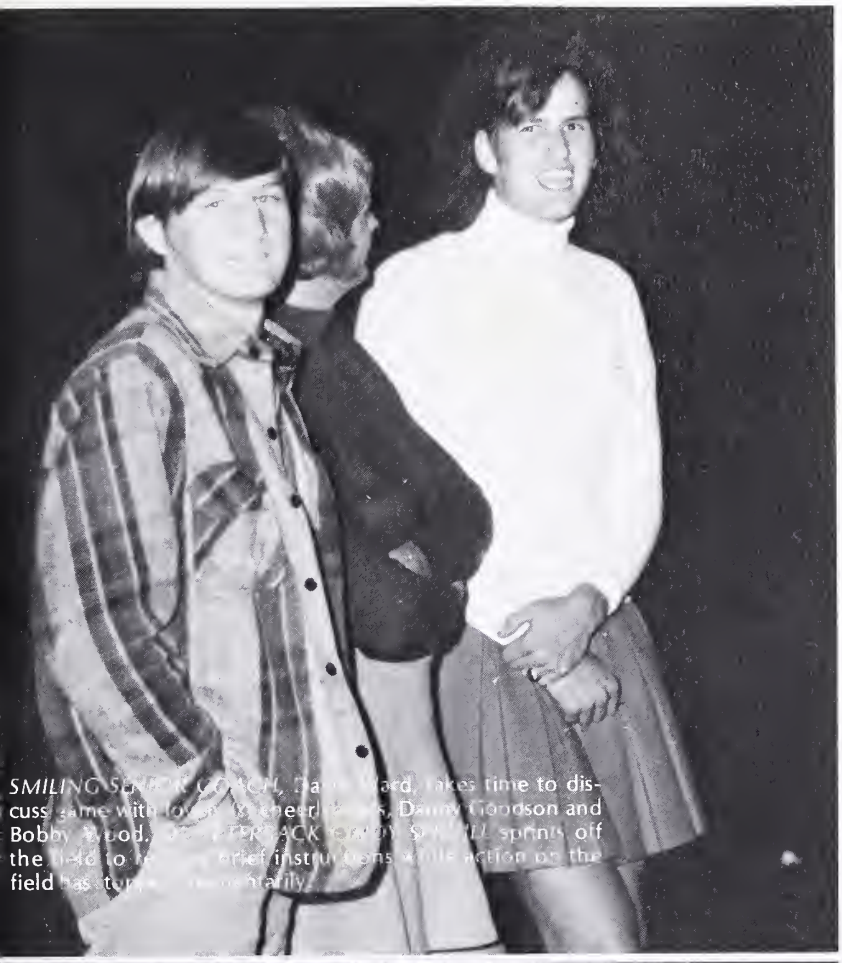
Sadie Hawkins' Day 1971 arrived with the usual assortment of chasing, biting, and scratching. If the previous list of escape tactics seem only available to the female sex, one would have been surprised to have witnessed the number of males resorting to them. The axiom boy chase girl was reversed with many attack scenes ensuing. Pigtails, cutoffs, and sweat shirts were the general feminine apparel, with the boys wearing, such far flung outfits as hip boots and hunting vests.

"It's the only day in the year that girls can attack boys that don't like them." — Martha Jordan

Many males felt their superiority was being questioned, especially when ten girls grouped together to help their friend with frizzy hair and braces capture "her man". One of the most violent reactions occurred when a group of junior girls grabbed Dave Forrest who (although he escaped) suffered the destruction of a new sweater.

"I didn't think I would escape with my life."

— Dave Forrest



SMILING SENIOR COACH, Da[illegible]ard, takes time to discuss game with lo[illegible] cheerl[illegible], Danny Goodson and Bobby [illegible]ood. [illegible] QUARTERBACK [illegible] SPRUILL sprints off the field to [illegible] brief instructions while action on the field has tur[illegible]arily.

Seniors claim 2-0 victory over Juniors

The annual powder puff game pitting the Seniors against the Juniors was truly an experience for all who participated. Nights of strenous practices and scheming, to make good on that special play, provided fun in a spirit of competition.

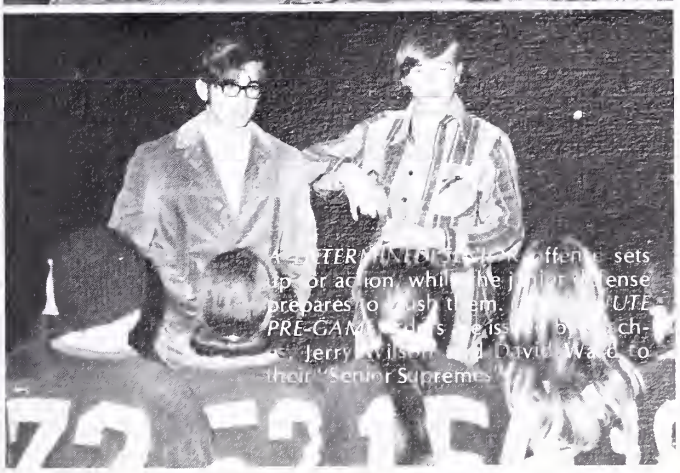
"The coaches were unreal in their strategy." — Anonymous

Seniors and juniors both moved several times within ten yards of the goal line, but were held there. Late in the second period, the seniors made the only score of the game, when they pushed the juniors back for a two-point safety.

"Until I saw the score board, I didn't know what we did or that we were able to do it." — Cindy Spruill

"The refs must have been blind when they didn't call roughing the punter." — Suzie Page

Coaches Jerry Wilson and David Ward, serving as leaders for the mighty "Senior Supremes", kept the game rolling, with the help of quarterback, Cindy Spruill. Trying to fight off the tight opposition junior quarterback, Dianne Watkins, led the "Diddley Waddley Squiddley Squats" with the coaching assistance of Bubba Jones and Wes Stephens.



[illegible] offensive sets up for action while the junior defense prepares to rush them. [illegible] *PRE-GAME* [illegible] issued by coaches Jerry Wilson and David Ward to their "Senior Supremes".

DONALD MOORE AND Cindy Hopkins, Greg McDaniels and Perrie McMillen and Jimmy Topping and Cindy Wyatt share a moment together during a slow song at the Holly Ball. *MARTHA HUNT ADMIRES* the centerpiece on the table while Joan Healy and Larry Firman watch the dancers on the floor. *DARRICK SEALE, RICHARD* White, Benji Hahn, Jerry Hopkins, Gary Ballard and Dave Burrage, members of the "Blew Mist", belt out another hit song. *MARY MISTER AND* Homer Ketterman enjoy a quieter moment of the Holly Ball.

S.C.A. Holly Ball draws small crowd

The Christmas holiday had its kick-off in the gym with the Holly Ball, a semi-formal dance sponsored by the S.C.A. Sprigs of holly and boughs of mistletoe hinted the spirit of the season as red and green streamers completed the decorations. Many couples arrived at the dance dressed for the occasion and full of "Christmas spirits".

The "Blew Mist" provided four hours of entertainment and music which kept couples on the dance floor.

Some had varied opinions as to the success of the Holly Ball. Vickie Johnson summed up the event by saying, "The music was great. It topped off a fantastic evening."

Junior, Liz Conrad commented, "Not as many kids showed up. I think they feel it's too much of a hassle to dress up."

Drama grows at PHS

Plays became more a part of the activities scene. Throughout the year, the drama club and speech and drama class staged various presentations for the student body and the community. Although inexperience hampered productions at the onset of the year, the quality of each play improved as time progressed.

At Christmas, the drama club presented a play entitled "The Long Christmas Dinner". In early spring, the club participated in district competition in Williamsburg when they presented the one-act play "Childhood". The play received a "good" rating from the drama director of William and Mary College.

Two other plays, staged by the speech and drama class, were "Trojan Women" and "Black Comedy". "Trojan Women" began the drama season. Darlene Ward commented, "The play was hard to follow, but their costumes were very interesting." "Black Comedy" was performed in the spring. Carol Hibbard said, "I enjoyed "Black Comedy". I thought Keith Regan and Steve Willard did a good job of acting."

Determination and a great deal of patience were the keys to the success of each play. Experience gained during the drama season will be an asset to the thespians who will perform in years to come.

BILLIE (DOUG DRUMMOND) and Caroline (Bev Burrage), two of three children in this one-act play, "Childhood", make plans to take an imaginary bus trip. *IN A SCENE* from "Black Comedy", Harold (Keith Reagan) appears startled as he identifies Cleo's (Debbie Potter) voice while Carol (Mary Sikora) gropes in the darkness. *DURING THE "LONG* Christmas Dinner", Roderick (Bill Connaughton) and wife, Lucia (Pam White) listen to Grandmother Bayard (Sandy Murdock) as she recalls the days of her girlhood.

FTA sponsors annual Basketball Night event

Cindy Spruill was selected Basketball Night Queen in the annual festivities during February of 1972. Sponsored by the Future Teachers of America, the evening's events included a basketball game between PHS and King William, the presentation of the Queen and her Court during halftime of the varsity encounter, and a dance featuring "Blew Mist" following the game.

According to Mrs. Ruth McClung, sponsor of the FTA, the night would never have been a success without the total cooperation received from the group. In order to present "Basketball Night" the FTA held a bake sale at Mercury Plaza Mall. "I think the bake sale was a great idea." Kathie Practor.

Basketball Night '72 was one of the year's most successful events, with the FTA raising over $100 to contribute to their scholarship fund. "I thought we had a marvelous turnout because of the great band, fair weather, and excellent member support." Mrs. McClung.

AFTER CROWNING CINDY Spruill the Basketball Queen of 1972 and then presenting her with a bouquet of carnations, Mr. Carmines congratulates her with a kiss. *CINDY SPRUILL AND* her escort, Grayson Bunting, walk towards the center of the formation as the court members await her crowning.

THE 1972 BASKETBALL court consisted of Pam White, Fawn Johnson, Nancy Phillips, Cindy Spruill, Eileen Carmines, Patti Cross, and Fimiah Diggs. *NANCY PHILLIPS AND* Patti Cross await the coming halftime activities. While the halftime festivities take place, *GLENN ROLLINS AND* Bobby Eryant, along with the other members of the team, listen as Mr. Fay discusses the first half of the game.

Lack of support creates turmoil with Miss Islander

Following the trend of William and Mary Colleges' contest, which honors a girl as yearbook queen, the annual staff has previously sponsored the Miss Islander contest. In the past, representatives were chosen by clubs and classes to participate in the contest. Individual pictures of each contestant were then placed on a display board and the student body voted by pennies for the girl they would like to be in the finals. The five girls with the most money at the end of a given time then had official pictures taken which were sent to celebrities for the final judging.

Due to a lack of interest and entries, the Miss Islander contest did not proceed as usual. As an example, the SCA voted, by one vote not to support the contest because they felt the penny-voting technique was similiar to a cattle auction.

SOPHOMORE ELAINE BOIS was chosen Miss Islander over five other candidates by Norman Snead of the New York Giants. *CINDY SPRUILL SPONSORED* by the Islander staff was selected as first runner-up.

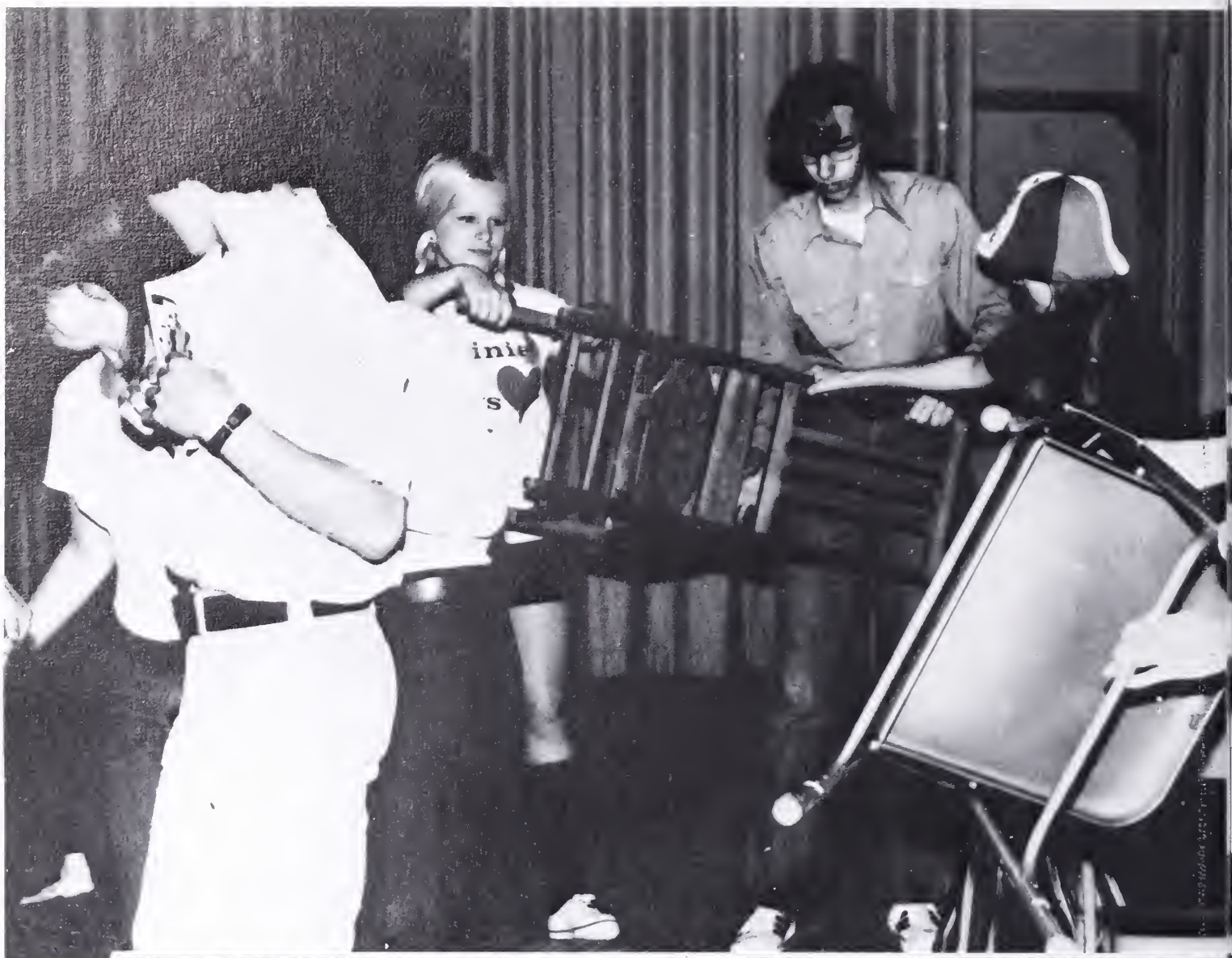
JUNIOR DIANNE GORRELL sponsored by the VICA Club, the track team's Debbie Carmines, and Cindy Hopkins representing the Varsity Cheerleaders rounded out the six contestants for this year's Miss Islander

It was decided that those entries that were submitted already would have pictures taken, in hotpants outfits, which would be sent to the celebrity for final judging. Mr. Norman Snead, quarterback for the New York Giants, was the celebrity who judged the contestants. There was no penny vote. The usual dance to crown the new Miss Islander and the runner-ups, also, did not take place.

"The Miss Islander contest has always been a money maker for the yearbook. Last year we made over $250.00 off of the contest. Of course we were counting on this when we set up the price of this year's book. Without student support of money making projects for the yearbook, only means that the cost of the book will have to increase." — Mr. Campbell

Upon distribution of the yearbook, the new Miss Islander was officially announced. Congratulations is extended to the winners by the members of the annual staff of 1971-72!!

THE PEP CLUB entry, Sallie White, was chosen second runner-up. *ELAINE, WHO WAS* sponsored by Mr. Stalling's World History class models the hotpants outfit that helped her win first place.



Curtain fails to rise on Sr. play production

What happened to the Senior Play? This has been a question that has pondered through many minds this spring. Traditionally there has been a play with the cast and stage crew composed entirely of seniors. This just didn't develop this year. There were not enough seniors that wanted to give up their evenings to produce the play that had been chosen this year.

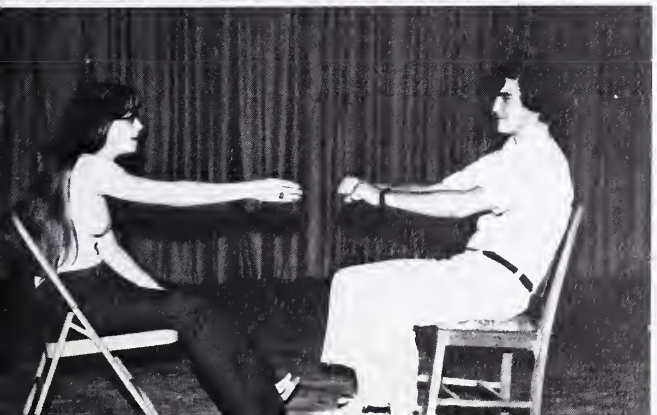
Mr. Bill Roberts, director, decided to do the Womens Lib play, "FLIPPED", which consisted of 42 parts. Since there were so many parts, some of the cast members were filling up to three parts.

The first week of practice, seniors read through their lines. Mrs. Dryden, assistant director, frequently had to read the parts of five or six absent cast members. Practice became even more difficult when the play moved on stage and senior thespians began walking through their parts. Scenes grew harder and harder to block because no one came to practice.

In a final effort to save the Senior Play, the senior English teachers discussed the play in their classes. It was stressed that people were needed to do the scenery as well as to fill in speaking parts. Classes were asked if they would participate in the play. Almost every hand went up. But, that night only fifteen people were in the auditorium for play practice.

Mr. Roberts saw that the turnout for the play was insufficient to finish the production. That night among the tears of dedicated seniors, the Senior Play was cancelled.

When Nancy Freeman was asked why she felt that her fellow students didn't support the play, she said, "I feel that most people didn't really care about the play because graduation was coming and perhaps a shorter play would have been more interesting. Some students felt the time was too early. Others didn't care at all."



MASS CHAOS ERUPTS during this scene at the Kitty Cat Club as members of FLIPPED make another attack on a symbol of male domination. *BRADEN FORREST (PATROLMAN* Fuller) attempts to apprehend Vickie Johnson (Niki Pendleton) at the scene of one of many Women's Libs demonstrations. *GARRY BUNTING (MAN* lunching) delivers a cue line to Donna Evans (Dursy Pendleton) in the Cram Fulla Goodies snack bar scene. *RAY PETT (CLYDE* Pendleton), Pat McBride (Mitch Nygren), appear somewhat amused while Jerry Wilson (Tom Blair) gets his temper riled during a discussion about the recent developments in the Lib Movement. *MEMBERS OF THE* cast of "FLIPPED" arrange themselves in the proper order for the courtroom scene as they prepare to rehearse their lines once more. *PAM MOORE (FLORA* Haydon, leader of F.L.I.P.P.E.D., stirs up support among members of the organization for the demonstration to be staged at a nearby construction site. *VICKIE JOHNSON (NIKI* Pendleton) makes a "friendly" offering of some popcorn to her "buddy" Pat McBride (Mitch Nygren) as they row on Central Park Lake.

FOLLOWING DANA FERGUSON'S solo, the Glee Club carries on with "Everything is Beautiful." *SHARON DeBERRY ARRANGES* some of the projects to be displayed by the art department. *THE PERCUSSION SECTION* of the Islander Band concentrates on keeping a steady beat.

A SMATHERING OF student talent is displayed by the art department. *BAND MEMBERS PERFORM* for the first time under Mr. Hines' direction.

For the first time, the Spring Arts Festival was divided between two nights, allowing the participation of sixth and seventh graders as a part of the program. In May, the Glee Club, Seventh Grade Chorus, and Art Department presented the first half of the concert. With sound of "Stop ... Look ... The big brass band ... " the Seventh Grade Chorus performed a Spoken Fugue in their Spring Arts Festival debut. During intermission the public was invited to see the art exhibit prepared by the art students. "For the first time, the Glee Club was the main feature in a concert, not merely an opening attraction before the band concert," one student stated. Taking advantage of the extra performing time, the Glee Club increased the number of selections it performed, which included both religious and popular music, music from Broadway plays, and a miniature opera.

The second part of the Festival in June featured performances by the Junior Band, the Islander Band, the Stage Band, the Majorettes, the Pom-Pom Girls, and an Industrial Arts display.

Spring Arts Festival is divided between nights

STUDENTS LOOK OVER the industrial arts exhibit. *MAJORETTES, KATHY LAWSON* and Paulette Benton twirl to the music "Lucreita MacEvil". *POM POM GIRLS* Fimiah Diggs, Cathy Lilly, Sue Elmore, Chat Crawford, and Karen West do their routine to "Watermelon."

"Everybody seemed to put out their best efforts and there were a lot of tears at the end since it was Mr. Miller's last concert," remarked Vickie Johnson. Mr. Hines, the new director, was introduced as a guest conductor in one of the selections by the Islander Band which featured Mr. Miller at drums. Danny Smith was presented with the Hartness-Lawson Trophy. The Industrial Arts display consisted of the work of students from all of the shop classes. "I liked the concert better this way — divided up, because it wasn't so long and boring. I had to leave early anyway the second night. I left my wife home shelling peas," quipped Mr. Carmines.

DONNA EVANS, SALLIE White, Cindy Spruill, Gail Bunting, and Debbie West listen as emcee, Dick Lamb, prepares to ask them their questions for final phrase of judging.

SALLIE WHITE PARADES her gay 90's costume. *DONNA EVANS TAKES* her position as the hot pants competition begins. *GAIL BUNTING SMILES* at the judges as she comes out in her costume. *JODY HENLEY LEADS* the mock band as they play sections for entertainment.

"... shocked and surprised to receive the honor."

May 13, 1972, the Poquoson Women's Club presented the annual Miss Poquoson pageant. Previously the competition had been centered around talent plus beauty. But, because of lack of interest in talent competition between contestants, talent was dropped.

A Gay 90's theme prevailed as the audience awaited the crowning of Sallie White, Miss Poquoson '72. The annual event, sponsored by the Poquoson Women's Club, featured twelve girls all of whom were hopeful of receiving the coveted title. Mr. Dick Lamb, well known television and radio personality, emceed the evening and provided a break in the tension of the nervous contestants. "He made a crack about me being an illegal secretary and this helped to break the tension." — Jeannie Louquet.

During the evening the girls were presented in hot pants, evening wear, and to keep with the theme gay 90's outfits. "I thought it was silly because I didn't see the point in wearing two long outfits." — Lynne Freemen.

Entertainment was provided by the Women's Club, doing a Gay 90's routines and was followed up by a mock band consisting of volunteer band members.

The contest was climaxed by the crowning of Miss White, with Gail Bunting and Cindy Spruill, runners-up. "I was shocked and surprised to receive the honor." — Sallie White.

DONNA EVANS BEAMS as she awaits her chance to parade for evening gown competition. *CINDY SPRUILL LISTENS* as Dick Lamb asks her about her preferences toward college. *"GAY 90's" AS* a theme, the Women's Club begins the program.

THE NEW MISS Poquoson, Sallie Charlene White, smiles with joy and surprise after being crowned.

HELPFUL JUNIORS, STEVE Masse, Tommy Backstock and Dave Forrest stand ready behind the scenes to help with refreshments. *EXPRESSIONS OF PLEASURE* shown on the faces of faculty members who attended the prom are evidence of an enjoyable evening.

"... the band was lousy and there were few decorations."

The Junior-Senior Prom, held at the Hotel Chamberlain, was somewhat of a disappointment to many of those who attended. Although decorations were few, the theme, "Color My World", was hinted atop the Roof Garden on the program covers. The music was provided by the Five O'-Clock Shadow.

Seniors who attended were asked to vote for the king and queen of the Prom during a break by the band. The votes were tallied by the junior sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Paulson. The announcement and crowning of King Ty Cobb and Queen Cindy Spruill were performed by junior class vice-president, Glenn Rollins.

Even though they were no acknowledged during the prom, the Paulson's had contributed greatly to the evening. Appearently no one thought of gifts for the sponsors until it was too late.

Jerry Wilson expressed the thoughts of many juniors and seniors who attended the prom, "The prom this year was extremely poor — the juniors demonstrated a definite lack of interest."

An anonymous prom attender commented, "I didn't like it at all, because the band was lousy and there were few decorations."

Junior Gail Bunting thought, "It was a big disappointment."

TELLING A JOKE, Donald Moore gets a laugh from Mike McGraw as Cindy Hopkins, Sue Elmore, and Libby Woolard react in astonishment. *GREG McDANIEL SEEMS* a bit shocked by Eileen Mitchell's remark, while on the side Gary Stoneberg gives the sign that everything is "alright". *JUNIOR CHAT CRAWFORD* appears beat as the Five O'Clock Shadow plays on and on. *THE PHOTOGRAPHER SAYS* smile, so Ken Evans and Pam Carmines oblige, while Mike McGraw wishes to be left alone with his date.

The seniors are sometimes thought to be rather lazy individuals and capable of only getting into trouble. However, the numerous awards won by seniors in the Class of '72 proved differently. While some honors were earned by hard labor to keep a good academic average, others were won by natural talent or ability through competition. In any case, each represented a reward of achievement. "We find a great deal of pleasure in identifying with students whose personal integrity carries them beyond a minimum of required work for graduation. Appreciation is extended to those organizations of the community who recognize and reward the efforts of these students, and who at the same time encourage this kind of achievement year after year." Mrs. Thelma Smith

JEFF LANE AND Becky Quinn were awarded the Poquoson Lions Club Scholarship. *THE COL. FRANCIS* Mallory Chapter honored Debbie Carmines with a D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award. *THE PENINSULA ENGINEER'S* Association Award was presented to Ray Pett for being an outstanding science student continuing his education in engineering.

Senior Awards represent achievement

FOR THEIR VOCAL and instrumental talents, George Robertson and Danny Smith were judged winners in the Bland Memorial Contest. *A GOOD CITIZENSHIP* Award was given to George Robertson for his participation in school, church, and community activities. *BOYS STATE DELEGATES* Garry Bunting and David Nicosia and Girls State representatives Becky Quinn and Debbie Carmines were chosen by the Poquoson American Legion and Auxiliary to spend a week learning about our government at a Virginia college.

MIKIE FIRTH SMILES for the photographers as he acts as assistant principal. *SENIORS MARCH THROUGH* the courtyard on their way to the cafeteria. *PRINCIPAL BRADEN FORREST* dictates a letter to his secretary, Donna Evans.

Seniors take over school

At last, the big traditional Senior Week arrived! Apparrel ranged from rags to hot pants in spite of the never-ending rain. The Senior Lounge was located in the auditorium because of the lack of classroom space. It was not the best place, yet it didn't keep the seniors from having a good time.

One of the best days of the week was when the seniors took over the Administration. As one walked through the underclassmen were acting strangely. They were pushing pennies with their noses doing push-ups, running, and a few girls were delighted to be cleaning toilets in the boys restrooms.

The climax of the week took place Friday. After graduation practice, all seniors met at the municipal building. With a police escort leading the funeral procession and the hearse close behind the procession proceeded through the town.

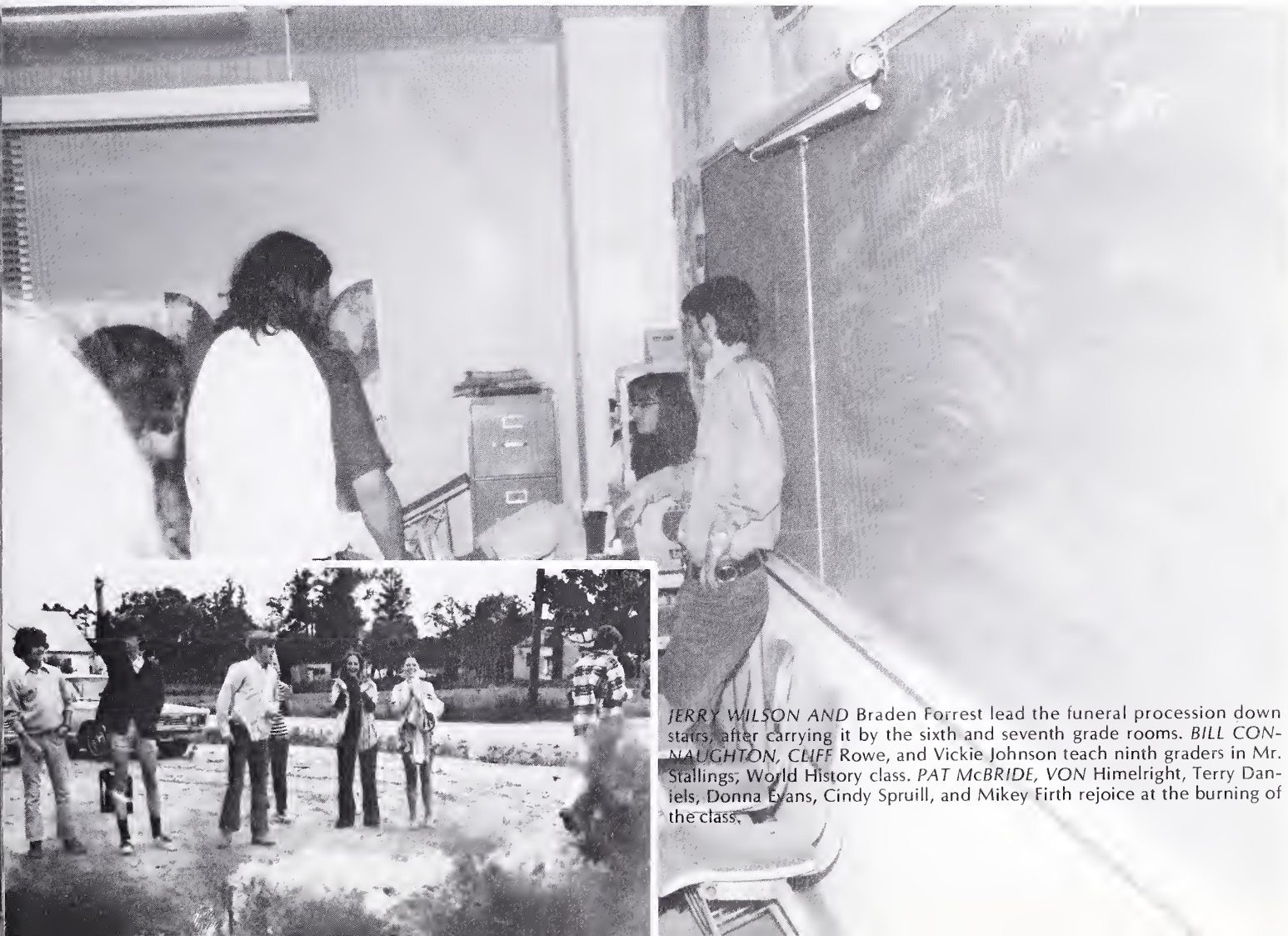
Lights on and the horns blowing the cars passed by as the townspeople watched in awe. After returning to school the coffin was carried through the library, cafeteria, and school halls, by a hysterical mob of Seniors. It was then taken to the parking lot, where every senior signed it with his name. After the last rites of the class were spoken by Bobby Wood, the class of 1972 was burned, leaving the school forever.

"It was a great week, but Friday was a little sad, in that we buried the class." — Vickie Johnson

"Made us feel we were free and ready to end it all." — Mike Elder

"It was a crazy week and I can't wait until next year."

— Pam Carmines



JERRY WILSON AND Braden Forrest lead the funeral procession down stairs, after carrying it by the sixth and seventh grade rooms. *BILL CONNAUGHTON, CLIFF* Rowe, and Vickie Johnson teach ninth graders in Mr. Stallings, World History class. *PAT McBRIDE, VON* Himelright, Terry Daniels, Donna Evans, Cindy Spruill, and Mikey Firth rejoice at the burning of the class.

DEBBIE CARMINES REACTS in horror as Ray Pett delivers his unforgetable line, "How would you like to come up to my place and peel some peaches?" *PAT McBRIDE EXPERIENCES* difficulty doing his take-off on his tricycle during Laugh-In. *THE CLASS OF* 1972 stands and sings their class song "Born Free" before leaving the stage. *MOST TALENTED SENIORS,* Ruth Anne Hunt and George Robertson, perform a song written and composed by Ruth Anne.

SALUTORIAN, ETHEL JOHNSON addresses the audience sighting the many changes she has witnessed since her return to Poquoson High. *VALEDICTORIAN, DEBBIE CARMINES* expresses her feelings on present day schooling. *VALEDICTORIAN, BECKY QUINN* delivers her speech based upon the popular poen "Desderata". *TY COBB PRESENTS* Braden Forrest with a fire engine during the giftoran.

Class Night big success

Following many hours of practice, the production of Class Night was hailed a big success. Two months in advance, material was written by seniors for the event. Scarcity of good material forced a few senior teachers to allow class time to write the needed poems and songs to get the production on its feet.

Countless hours of arranging and rearranging by the members of the Class Night committee finally paid off. Confusion reigned, however, up until the last minute over many details about the program. All things considered, everything ran smoothly. Careful planning and lots of practice somehow made the program something the class was proud of.

The talent of creation was seen among the graduating class. Lack of time forced a rush job on several protions of the program such as the senior's version of Laugh In. The traditional class history, last will and testament, and the giftorian took place as usual, thus providing a good laugh for almost everyone. Although tradition ran strong, there was a special uniqueness in every facet of the program because of the distinct individuality of the class.

Sharing identical honors, valedictorians Debbie Carmines and Becky Quinn gave their speeches; followed by the salutorian, Ethel Johnson who also gave speech according to tradition. In her message to the class, Becky Quinn, used the poem, *Desderata,* with piano accompainment while the class sang portions of it in the background. This was genuine proof of the creative abilities of the seniors, it was the first speech of this kind ever given.

The remainder of Class Night consisted of poems and silly songs making the night something special to be remembered by every senior. After the Junior Response, the class of '72 sang "Born Free," their class song. Marching out with smiles on their faces, many seniors breathed a sigh of relief knowing that in just two more nights it would all be over!

Happy, proud, and ready to celebrate

Graduation '72 began on the usual note as seventy-eight seniors made the final march down the aisle in the gym. For some tears had begun at the door, while for others there was laughter. Full of joy, sadness, and pride the seniors listened to Lambert Clark, president of Virginia Wesley College, who addressed them on the different phases of education.

After the graduation address seniors receiving awards were honored. Following the awards the diplomas were given out and Mr. Carmines graduated the class of 1972.

With more tears flowing and flash bulbs flashing the graduates of 1972 marched out to the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance." Shouts of joy and laughter could be heard as the seniors hit the doors.

After congratulations by parents, and friends, the real diplomas and the awards were given out in the office. More congratulations and hugs, were ended with seniors leaving for parties and Nags Head; happy, proud and ready to celebrate the finishing of twelve long years of school.

SENIORS BEGIN THE processional into the gym for graduation exercises. *PRESIDENT OF VIRGINIA* Wesley College, Lambert Clark, address the class of '72 at graduation.

SENIORS WHO RECEIVED awards, stand as they are honored before receiving diplomas. *VALEDICTORIANS BECKY WUINN* and Debbie Carmines stand, with eyes shift, as they are honored.

MR. CARMINES PRESENTS Ty Cobb with his diploma, and gives a hand shake of congratulations. *SENIORS HAVE MIXED* emotions before marching into the gym.

Tears for some ... laughter for others

The confused emotions of the seniors presented a number of reactions to graduation. Some shed tears on the closing of school life and the friends and memories then parting. Anxious of the future, some were all smiles and happier than ever before. Those inbetween past memories and future anxieties did a little of both. Cindy Wyatt displays extreme happiness as she receives her diploma. Sweethearts, Danny Goodson and Lu Ann Watkins embrace after graduation exercises come to a close. Paulette Benton comforts Lynne Freeman as tears stream down her face.

ADJUSTMENT

The Bull Islander sat in his easy chair watching Nixon in Red China. A Poquoson citizen gaped in awe to see Wallace's disfigured body lying in the middle of a Maryland shopping center. He gets up from his chair and turns off the television and leaves his home. Outside, the misery of mosquitoes, the torture of the roads, and the controversial town government provided plenty of worries for the Poquoson citizen.

With a turn of a dial, we adjusted from the turmoil of the world to the problems of the town. Although, the turmoil continued a new challenge was presented and the Bull Islander accepted it.

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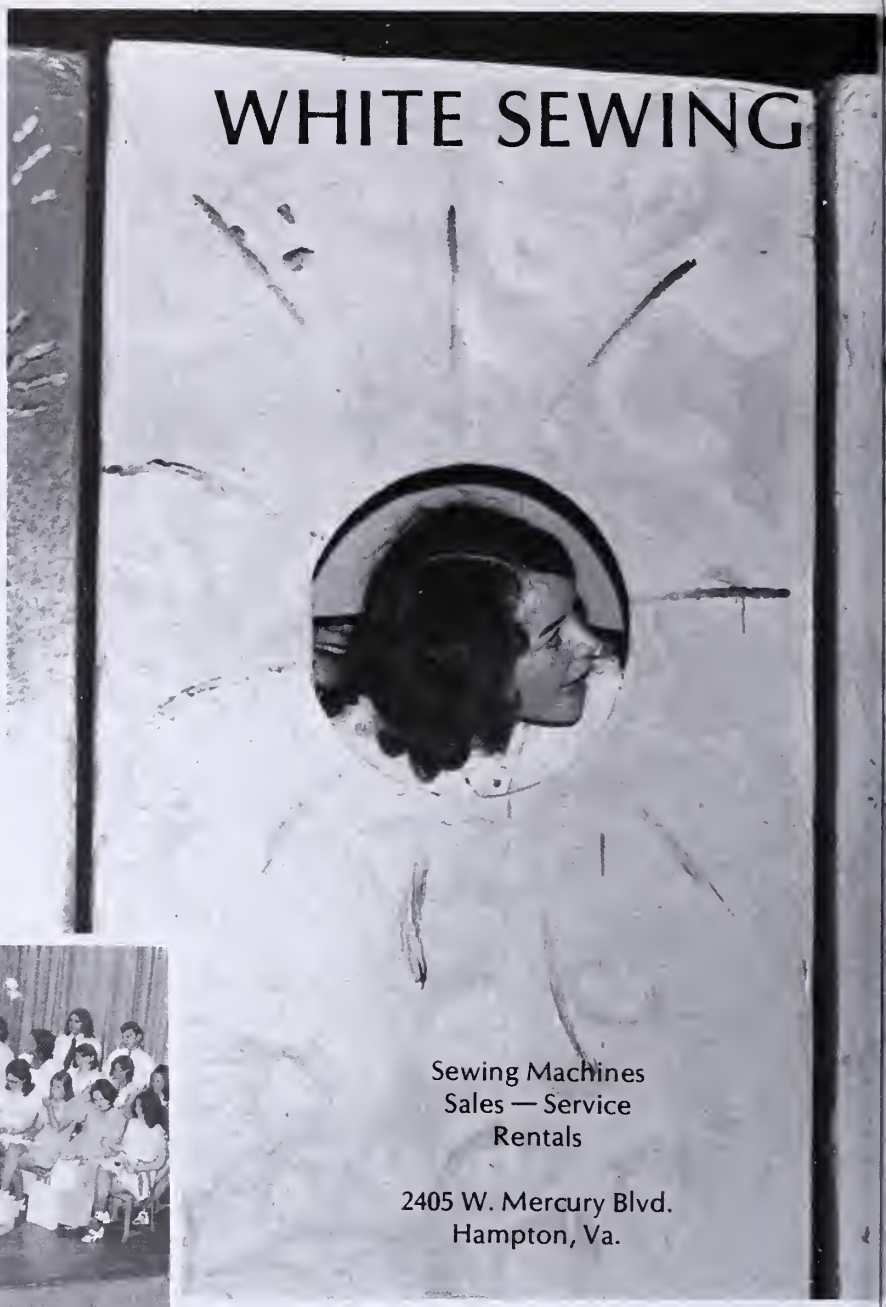

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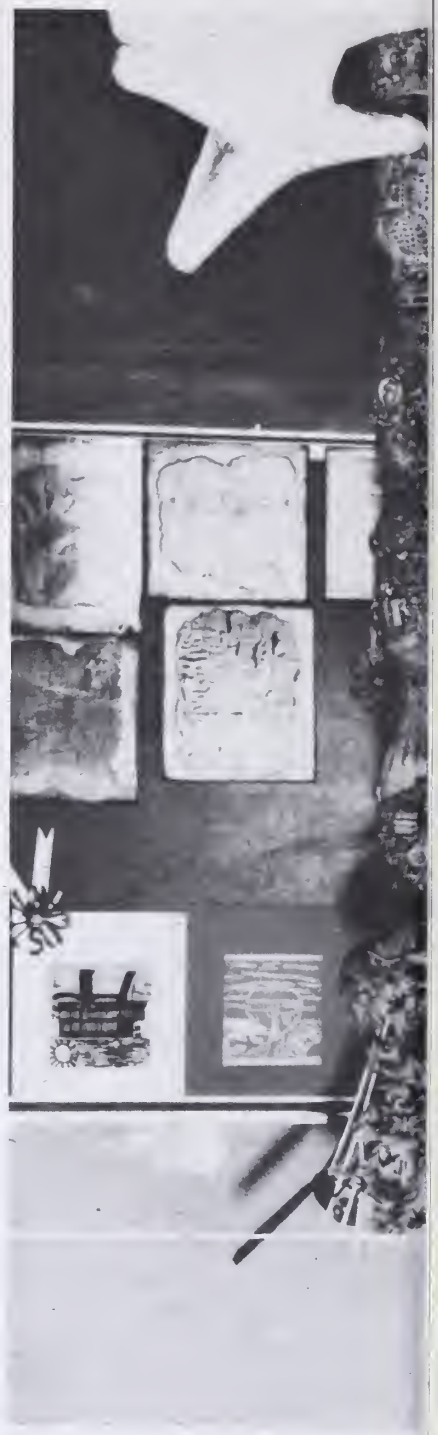

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